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PREFATORY NOTE

This volume contains the letters sent from Fort St. George during the year 1711 and is the sixteenth in the series of records known as " Letters from Fort St. George ". There is a big gap in the beginning, the letters prior to 15th August 1711 having been lost.

The manuscript volume has been mended and is kept in a fair state of preservation.

EGMORE,
14th August 1931.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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LETTERS FROM FORT ST. GEORGE, 1711

VOLUME XVI

[*From August to December 1711*]

[*Previous portion lost.*]

Size you wanted come this last Shipping, We are

Fort S^{T}. George
August 15TH. 1711.

S^{rs}.
Your Hum^{ble}. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Devenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

P. S.

By this Conveyance you will Receive a packett directed to you from the Honble. Court of Directors which came out on Ship Aurengzebe.

List of the Packett sent to Bengall by Gumbroon Merch^{t}.

N°. 1 Generall Letter
2 Invoice of the Gumbroon Merchant
3 List of what Goods wanting by the Warehouse keeper
4 Ditto wanting of the Storekeeper
5 Bill of Loading
6 Key of the Box of Brocade silks.

N°. 68

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Gov^{R}. of Fort S^{T}. David.

S^{R}.

She is in the afternoon Arrived Capt. Raymon[d] with the Ships under his Command and by him we rec^{d}. Yours Da[ted] the [11] as also one from your Merchants and Inhabitants request[ing] to have the Custom upon Grain abated for the Present till Your Troubles are over

We wonder you take no notice of this in Your Generall Letter but Suppose it was [sent in] haste, we are sincible how [. . .] it must be with the Poor to [. . . at] the rate mentioned by Merchants and therefore intend [. . .] Days to send you [. . .] we have of the Companys in our [godowns] and would have [. . .] immediately to Trincombarr for a [. . .]nly from thence left [. . .] monsoon Changes, We have formerly Done them the same [. . .] and have no reason to Doubt but they will return it, [. . .] be amiss if you sent a proper Person thither to buy it and [. . .]ped off we are in hopes that may Doe as well as ta[. . .] Duly but leave it wholly to you for the Present [. . .] The Circumstances of Affairs ; and if by abating the Custom you can gett in any store to lay by lett it be done immediately: We are not a little surprized that you should be in such a streight all at once and we never hear a word of it before, this is not extraordinarily well looked out and pray be more Vigilant for the future, or you will be starved into a shamefull Peace.

We hope you will be able to come to a Contract speedily in order to send Home a January Ship and we must have time to advise them in the Bay what Ship to send us up the Goods you must Contract for must be by the enclosed list Drawn out of the Generall List for this Year if you Can lower the Prizes the more acceptable twill your Labour be to our Honble. Employers, this what offers att Present from

Fort S^T^. George
August 16TH. 1711.

S^r^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Devenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

Acco^T^. of Goods to be Provided att Fort S^T^. David.

Long Cloth Ordinary White	Pess. 20000
Ditto Middling	4000
Ditto Fine	2000
Sallampores Ordinary	20000
Ditto Middling	5000
Ditto Fine	2000
Sail Cloth	2000
Succatomes	500
Betteelas of 20 Yards	2000
Ditto of 25 Yards	2000
Ditto Oringall	2000
Neckcloth 1½ in a Peice Y^d^. ½ Long	1000

We Doe not Suppose you will be able to procure the whole Quantity above mentioned but recommend to you to Contract for what You can and to gett what you can possible brought in by Christmas [time] we may Dispatch the Ship before the French can return from [. . . gen] as usuall in January whatever you do keep the Merchant[s] up to their Musters that here may be no Complaints from Eng[land].

N°. 69

To the Hon^BLE^. William Aislabe Esq^R^.
Generall of the Coast of India &c^A^. Councill.

Hon^BLE^. S^R^. &c.

The foregoing was designed to have [come to] you by the S^t^. Cruce Thomas Gaywood but he staying long we expected take this oppertunity by a Peon.

We Desire that you should order them a[t Gomb]roon yearly to supply us with Stores as inclosed lists according to Companys orders and that everything they send us be new [. . .] in its kind. Wee are at Present in a hope in Dispatching [Bouve]rie for Europe to go in Company with the [*a few words lost*] designe God Willing to send a [*a few words lost*]bles at ffort S. David [*a few words lost*] in that place [*a few lines lost*]. For Surratt in my last for Pagodas Eight Thousand [see]ing that our Masters orders are so Possitive in Disp[atching] those Ships which have been longest in the Country, we [have] therefore, agreed with the ffreighters to Exchange the [Dart]mouth in her stead and Accordingly have wrote the [Gentle]men in the Bay that they are at liberty to Dispatch her [with] all expedition, that She may be able to go Home with the Dutch Fleet.

As yet no French Ships are Arrived at Pondicherry but are hourly expected, we shall not fail to advise you (if any thing meteriall) by all oppertunitys and are.

FORT ST. GEGRGE
AUGUST 16TH. 1711.

Srs.
Your very Humble. Servants,

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DEVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

LIST OF WHAT WANTING FROM PERSIA.

Syrash Wine in Flasks	Chests 150
Frute namely Vizt. Kismisses reasons	5
Almonds	A Candy
Rose Water Chests	20
Vinegar ,, ...	6
Attchar all Capers if Possible	5
	186

Six Horses Young and Beautifull well marked according to the Moors Fancy to be sent ℔ [first] Conveyance.

No. 70

TO THE HONBLE. WILLIAM PROBY ESQR.
COUNCILL ATT SURRUTT.

HONBLE. SR.

On the 10 July arrived here Ships Dart[mouth] Avarilla and Aurengzebe the former came the [*a few words lost*] with a Commission constitu[ted] [*a few words lost*]. It is Certain That Four French Ships are sailed out of France two of which For Moco being the same as were there two Years [ago] and the other two are deily Expected at Pondicherry pray god send that none of our Shipping fall into their Hands.

We are lastly advised from Metchlepatam by Mr. Woden that the Kings Present is gott Cleared after much Trouble and Shipt on Board the Companys Ship [Presi]dent

and sent to Bengall in good Condition, and hope after all the expence and Trouble wee have been att it, may answere or [. . .] wishes for our Masters Interest, We have no further but are.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
AUGUST 18TH. 1711.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Your Humble Servants.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DEVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 71

TO THE WORS^{LL}. ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOV^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{A}. COUNCILL.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE AUGUST 20TH. 1711.

S^{rs}.

Capt. Coventry and Ensign Sommervill Killed.

No care taken to prevent a Suprize.

Yesterday we rec^{d}, yours of the 18th. with the unw[el]come News of an Action wherein You lost Capt. [Coventry and] Ensign Sommervill, we lament the un[*a few words lost*] mer, and the shamefull behaviour [*a few words lost*] or no Compassion

[*a few lines lost.*]

the Day before this Accident happened.

Essence of Military art to Dispose Partys.

It is the very essence of the Military art to Dispose your partys so that upon Attack of one place they may speedily repair to the releef of their Companions, We hope this unfortunate Action will cure our officers and Soldiers of that Vanity that has led them into the Error and that they will readily embrace the first good oppertunity, to make their Barbarous Enemys pay dear for their Cruell Triumph.

Surgons Mate [not pro]curable.

We shall send you a case of Instruments by y^{e}. very first oppertunity in the meantime you must gett w^{ht}. you can from Pondicherry M^{r}. Raworth knows we have never a Surgons Mate here that is worth any thing or else we would certainly send him ; apply to the French and Danes to gett one for the Time.

Treaty [wi]th the [Sword] in Hand. [ambus]cade proposed.

We agree with you that you must treat sword in Hand, and now that your Enemy is flushed with Success we hope they will give you an oppertunity to quitt Scores, A well Dressed ambuscade if your Spys could be trusted would Draw them into Your power, and if you part with them before you have revenged your Countrymen We shall think it high time to begg a peace.

Disposall of Rice approved of.

We approve of what you have done with the Companys rice to make the poor easy, for the Present as we shall do of any further measures you shall think convenient to take for that purpose.

mention made [of] the numbers Killed.

You say the Killed and wounded in the late Action amount to the same number as last advised but we do not find any number mentioned neither in our Letters nor w^{ht}. M^{r}. Raworth wrote the Govern^{r}. in Capt. Roaches Narrative which makes it very Dificient.

[. . .] have thanks [. . .]

However we thank the Capt. in our Masters name and our own for his Courage and Conduct in bring [. . . we]ll off and Desire you to Acquaint him with [*a few words lost*] with all that we would not have him [*a few words lost*] expose himself or his Soldiers [*a few words lost*] how Dificult it is [*a few lines lost*] Send up what Supernumary Soldiers you have by the [Rising] Sun, we leave to you to modell your Garrison to your [. . .] to the Quality of the Persons you keep but would have y[ou re]tain no more than you have occasion for we would be [glad] to

lessen the expence of your settlement if safely to be done [. . .] wee want men very much here and att Fort St. David [we] are.

Fort St. George.
August the 24, 1711.

Srs.
Your Humble. Servants.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

P.S.

We are now buisy in Dispatching the Des Bouverie for Europe to go in Company with the Tankervile as likewise Ships Dartmouth Avarilla Aurengzebe and Sherebourn for the Bay the Hallifax will be an October Ship.

No. 74

To the Honble. William Aslabie Esqr.
Generall of the Coast of India
for Affairs of the Rt. Honble.
United English East India Company
att Bombay.

Honble. Srs. &ca.

Yours of the 8 of May last by Ship Thomas came to Hands the 3 of June, and return you our thanks for the Europe News you are Pleased to impart to us wishing that a Constant Success may attend the Armes of the allies and all last be Crowned with an Honble. and lasting Peace.

On the 10 Instant Arrived here Ships Dartmouth Avarilla and Aurengzebe on the former came [*a few lines lost*] Honble. Edward Harrison Esqr. with a Commission Constituting him President for Affairs of the Rt. Honble. United Company of Merchants of England on the Coast of Choromandell Island of Sumatre and Governr. of Fort St. George and ffort St. David.

We observe that you have Dispatched for Europe Ships Blenheim Fleet Frigott, New George and Tankarvile all with Considerable Cargoes the Second which Sail'd out of the Cape that Day as the Governr. but the latter Arrived Yesterday in this Road finding no Possibility of gaining her Passage Round the Cape by the Hard Southerly Winds he mett with, the Season of the Year so very farr advanced, and Dangerous to Winter att Mauritious for fare of the ffrench and Pyratts who are said to Harbour there thought it more for the Security of the Rt. Honble. Companys estate to come to this Port whose stay will be but Short with us.

It is Certain that ffour ffrench Ships are sailed out of France two of which for Moco being the same as were there two years agoe the other two are are duely expected att Pondicherry pray God send that none of our Shipping fall into their Hands.

We find att last St. John Gayr has gott from Surrat but how dear he has paid for his liberty we are not apprized of, and by what you write Mr. Proby was a great obstacle to his Clearance but to no purpose.

We are lately advised from Metchlepatam by Mr. Noden that the Kings Present is cleared after much Trouble, and Ship on Board the Companys Ship President for Bengall in a good Condition and hope after all the Expence and Trouble we have been yt. it may answere our wishes for our masters Interest.

The President being but newly arrived, and the Troubles we are in att ffort St. David is at Present the main Subject of our Business to rid ourselves of them cannot admit of time to give you an account how the Country Government is settled in these

parts, but hope by the going down of the new Deputy Govr. Robert Raworth Esqr. that all things will be brought to an Accommodation.

We return you thanks for the Supplys you are pleased to promise us from Persia, which will save our Masters considerably there being a Quantity of Medera lately bought att an extravigant price and the Company not sending us out Supplys as formerly putts very often to these extravigancies.

These Ships late Arrived with us left England the 25 January att which time the Litchfield and Mountague were ready [to go] for your Parts with the next Convoy and the London Capt. Up[ton] came out in Company with our Present Govern^{r}. Bound to Presia and your place and parted with him off Madagascar We are

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Your very Humble Servants

Fort S^{T}. George.
August the 24 : 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Devenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Benard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 75

To the Wors^{ll}. Simon Cows Esqr.
Cheif &c^{a}. Councill att Anjengo.
S^{rs}.

August 24th. 1711.

Our last to you was of the 9th. January since which have rec^{d}. none from you This to advise you that on the [. . .] of last Month Arrived here from England Ships Dartmouth Avarilla and Aurengzebe on the former came the Honble. Edward Harrison Esqr. with a Commission for being President of the Coromandell Island of Sumatra and Govr. of Fort S^{t}. George and [Fort S^{t}.] David.

These Ships left England the 28 January at which time the Litchfield and Mountague where ready to sail for B[om]bay. The London Capt. Upton came out in Company with our Present Govern^{r}. and parted with him off Madagascar.

We Desire that you would forward what ever [. . .] may happen to be lodged at your place for the [. . .] particularly the President with all expedition [*a few words lost*] Likewise that you will write to the rest of the ffactorys on your Coast in case any should come to their Hands, that they will send them to you, to be forwarded to us.

And when any Europe Ships Arrive with you or any of your Neighbour Factorys we desire you to make particular enquiry after our Letters of the Comm^{drs}. and others.

The troubles of Fort S^{t}. David has made us very uneasie, but hope in a short time to bring them to a happy Conclusion, we desire that If any thing meteriall happens on yor. side you would immediately advise us and we shant fail of doing the same. We are.

S^{rs}.
Your Humble Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Devenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

To FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ .
[CHIEF] &C^A. COUNCIL.

Upon this Sloop Verdagery we send you Six Thousand Pagodas by Six of our Peons and two [. . .] ours we received yours of the 9 Yesterday in a Day or two we shall write you more & are

S^r.
Your Hum^ble. Serv^ts.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
[SEPTEM^R.] 3 : 1711

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DEVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 77.

TO THE HON^BLE. JOHN RUSSELL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT OF BENGALL FOR AFFAIRS
OF THE R^T. HON^BLE. THE UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
& GOVERN^R. OF FORT WILLIAM &C^A. COUNCIL.

HON^BLE. S^RS. &C^A.

The foregoing is a Duplicate of what Wrote by Capt. Saunders in the Gombroon Merchant, We now send you the Ships Dartmouth Sherbourn Avarilla and Aurengzebe with [*lacuna*] Chests q^t. Rupees [*lacuna*] and severall stores as ℔ Inclosed Invoyce and Bill of Lading.

We should have sent these Ships some Days [soo]ner had we not Rec^d. intelligence from the Dutch that [. . . .] French Ships were arrived at Ballasore and lay cruizing [off] Point Palmeiras : We thought ourselves oblieged to go to the foundation of this Report before we hazarded so much of our Masters estates and after some Days spent in enquiry we have [Traced] to the bottom and find it a Stratagem of the Armenians false and Groundless, and yet we are not without Fears [that] such a thing is Possible because to our great surprize no ship is yet Arrived at Ponticherry nor no news of them in any part of India Wherefore we have kept all the Ships toget[her] and Dispatched the Dolbin with them to make as good an appearance as Possible.

In answere to what you write about Rupees and that Silver will yeild 2 ℔ Cent more proffit to our Masters in the Bay. We beleive it to be an error occasioned by not [writ]ing off the 2 ℔ Cent which the Company saves in the Mint here. Wherefore we offer the inclosed Calculate to you Consideration in which the matter is fairly stated and if you have any exceptions to it we desire your answere by the [next] conveyance, for till you are so happy to have a mint of your own we reckon ourselves oblidged to persue the Intrest and Credit of our Mint here as farr as Consists with Reason.

We have now good reason to hope we may be able to Dispatch the Avarilla from hence early in Jan^ry. and Desire she may accordingly be sent hither as directed by our President on a private [letter] yours to which Gentleman we have left this matter a part as an affair proper to be transacted according to the method of the Secret Committee for we would not have the time of her intended Arrivall here any way Devulged.

We will not fail to send you immediate advices if the ffrench Ships arrive and the best Acco[ts]. we can gett of their intentions both by land and Sea [. . .] Conveyances and as we hear M[r]. Dean is at Ballasore we hope he is impowered by you to spear no Cost and pains in Dispatching Pattamars as soon as any French are seen or certainly heard off in your parts.

The Sherbourn having been long abroad and under indifferent Circumstances and want of Mony and no well regulated crew we believe it would be a good peice of service to send her away early to reach the Dutch ffleet if it suits with your Affairs because she will be under the Eye of some of the best Commanders our Masters have in their Service and will in all likelyhood have a Summer Passage througout to Europe.

It seems to us that you will have a Ship to let to Surrat or Persia or both if the Darby Arrives for according to the Cargos ordred to be provided and the Tonnage sent out our Masters dont seem to expect above a Thousand Tons or thereabouts from the Bay and the Darby Aurengzebe and S[t]. George are all very Burthensome Ships that will take each 1600 Bales of this place at least.

Wee have no Lett[rs]. from you since the 27 March tho' there have been severall private Cossids, pray lett us here as often from you as possible and we will not be wanting on our parts to make you returns.

What News of Shipping since our last is from Batavia by Hart and Harriot that the Mead ffrigot was Dispatched in time from the West Coast but by going afterwards for Batavia lost her passage and is become a Winter Ship the Dochester not returned from Chana to Batavia in June. The [...ger] lost his Passage to China last Year and now gone forward to Canton as also the Howland and Hester this Years Ships that left Batavia the beginning of July from M[r]. Livesay you will have the news of Persia the Dispatch of the Bouverie now going under sail for Europe takes up all our time.

The unfortunate Troubles of Fort S[t]. David still continue they have lately had an Action in which by the Base Cowardize of Ensign [Som]mervills we lost Cap[t]. Coventry and 20 Men of which [. . .] of your Bengall Party as by the inclosed List Sommerville [met] with the fate he deserved and was killed in the Back as [he] ran away.

If you meet with any thing curious to add to [the] present in lieu of 4000 Pagodas yet remaining of the [. . .] Elephants sold you will make it up, we desire you will add some proper Persons to wait upon Zoode Cawne with the [enclo]sed Lett[r]. from our Govern[r]. and Desire him to represent this affairs of ffort S[t]. Davids in our favour because Shealams Mother was of Surrup Sings race and we are apprehensive that he may by means of his alliance make the story very foul one side M[r]. ffraser took no manner of Care to write to Court on the subject but our Govern[r]. is prepareing a Lett[r]. to Zulphaka Cawne We send you the Lett[r]. to Zoode Cawn in English for information of the Persons whom you send.

Inclosed is a List of severall Stores wanting by the Dartmouth &c[a]. which they say are among their Ballast we have ordred them to deliver what they find hereafter to you and desire you will advise us thereof.

The Bouverie and Tankervill Sayled yesterday for Europe and the Hallifax will follow by the last of this Month.

Cap[t]. Cornwalls Ship being so small that it would give encouragement to the Enemy in our opinion to see the rest Commanded by one so inconsiderable and in consideration that if they should come to Engage he may not be able to keep the Line. We have appointed Cap[t]. Thomas Bechforde Commander-in-Chief and not out of Slight or disrespect to Cap[t]. Cornwall who is the oldest Cap[t]. of these Four in our Masters Service.

You have a parcell of good Velvets by this conveyance that seem [*a few lines lost*] Our Duan sent the Govern[r]. a Lett[r]. Yesterday acquainted him that he had rec[d]. a Husbul Hookum from Zulphaka[r] Cawn wherein he Directs the Present to be immediately delivered to the Gusbadar at Masulipatam so that he does not know any thing of its coming your way.

We desire you would send us twenty peices of the best Duck made in the Dutch Factory at Hugly. We are.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM. 5TH. 1711

S^rs^.
Your Humble Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DEVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 78

TO CAP^r^. NICHOLAS LEWHORNE
COMM^R^. OF SHIP AURENGZEBE.

You are hereby ordred to repair on Board your Ship and Weigh Anchor with the first Convenient Wind and Weather and make the best of your way in Company with the Dartmouth Avarilla and Sherbourn for the Speediest Attaining the Port of Bengall we have appointed Capt. Thomas Beckford Commander-in-Cheif to give the Proper Signalls for the better keeping Company and Defence against the Enemy daily expected on this Coast on your Arrivall in Bengall you are to follow the orders of the Honble. John Russell Esqr. &c^a^. Council for your future Disposall Dated in ffort S^t^. George this 5th. day of Septem^r^. 1711.

EDWARD HARRISON.
FHOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 79

TO CAP^r^. ROBERT HURST
COMM^R^. OF SHIP AVARILLA.

Your are hereby ordred to repair on board your ship and Weigh Anchor with the first Convenient Wind and Weather and make the best of your way in Comp^ny^. with the Dartmouth Aurengzebe and Sherbourn for the Speediest Attaining the Port of Bengall we have appointed Capt. Thomas Beckford Commander in Cheif to give the proper Signalls for the better keeping Company and defence against the Eremy daily expected on this Coast on your Arrivall in Bengall you are to follow the orders of the Honble. John Russell Esqr. &c^a^. Councill for your future Disposall dated in ffort S^t^. George this [5] Day of Septem^r^. 1711.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DEVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNAD BENYON.
WILLIARM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 80.

To Capt. Heney Cornwall
Commr. of Ship Sherbourn.

You are hereby ordred to repair on board your Ship and Weigh Anchor with the first Convenient Wind and Weather and make the best of your way in Company with the Dartmouth Aurengzebe and Avarilla for the speediest attaining the Port of Bengall we have appointed Capt. Thomas Beckford Commander in Cheif to give the Proper Signalls for the Better keeping Company and Defence against the Enemy daily expected on this Coast on your Arrivall in Bengall you are to follow the orders of the Honble. John Russell Esqr. &ca. Council for your future Disposall. Dated in ffort St. George this 5th. Day of Septemr. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

No. 81.

To Capt. Thomas Beckford
Commr. of Ship Dartmouth.

You are hereby ordred to repair on Board your Ship and take under your care Ships Aurengzebe Averilla and Sherbourn to Weigh Anchor and to proceed with them as wind and Weather will permitt for the most speedy Attaining the Port of Bengall where when Arrived you are to Deliver our Pacquet as Directed to the Honble. John Russell Esqr. and President for affairs of the Rt. Honble. United English East India Compny. and Governr. of ffort William &ca. Councill you are likewise to follow such orders as you shall receive from Messrs. Henry Davenport and Mollyneax or either of them. Dated in ffort St. George this 5th. Day of Septemr. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

List of the Pacquet Per Ship Dartmouth to Bengall.

No. 1 Generall Letter
2 Duplicate by Gombroon Merchant
3 Ship Dartmouth Invoyce
4 Do. Aurengzebe Do.
5 Do. Avarella Do.
6 Do. Sherbourn Do.
7 Copy of the Govr. Lettr. to Zoody Cawn
8 Bill of Lading ℔ Avarilla
9 Do. Do ℔ Sherbourn
10 Do. Do. ℔ Aurengzebe
11 Do. Do. Dartmouth.
12 List of goods wanting in this Garrison
13 Do. of Stores Do. from England ℔ Europe Ships.

14 Lett^{r}. to Zoody Cawn
15 Essay Masters Account of the Difference between [. . .] ing down Rupees to the Bay and Bullion.
16 List of the Pacquet.

N°. 82.

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Govern^{R}.
of Fort S^{T}. David &c^{A}. Councill.

The Ships Bouverie and Tankervill being Dispatched for England we have now time to reply to yours.

We observe the abominable behaviour of the Capt. and Ensigne at Cuddalore whose names you ought to have mentioned and order that they be immediately sent away hither in your sloop and if you find any of your People Refractory Drunk or mutinus send them away hither by the first opportunity.

Common Report by M^{r}. Jones &c^{a}. arrived here gives us an ill account of Capt. Courtneys behaviour we are unwilling to beleive it because upon the first complaint from you he shall be discharged and sent for England.

We intend Capt. Edmund Housen in a Day or two by sea with severall Stores you Demanded Wine for your Table and Packing Stuff for your bales We have already sent away large Qantitys of Rice and daily encourage more to come so that their is no fear of your being reduced to Streights but would have you be carefull that the price is not kept up by the art of those whom we permit to send it.

[*A few lines lost*]. And Coporall mentioned in yours of the 30 August and our President send you the Ensigns Commision by Capt. Howson you may further assure your men that merrit shall always be rewarded.

We approve of the Investment mentioned in yours of the 4 September and would have you extend it to 100000 Pagodas if the Merchants are willing your last mentioned nothing of what we wrote you as Broad Cloth if they will take it all they shall have delivered them here it is now too late to send it by sea besides we have no ships in the Road.

We would have you for the future pack all yor. goods the same Package as we doe here for Europe Viz^{t}. long Cloath 30 Peices Sallampores 80 and so on to avoid all mistake complained off M^{r}. Raworth has been Warehousekeeper here and consequently knows our method of Package however we have sent a List Inclosed.

If possible send us a few Bales to help away the Hallifax be they what sort soever our Merchants here expect 150 Bales from Werepollam—at Port an Nava this Week which we have ordred them to Freight upon the Dane expected there from Trincombarr if you can any way we desire you to further this designe because the French are daily expected if this does not succeed they must send them upon Boats.

The Bouverie's Cargo amounted to 168700 Pagodas We approve your project of carrying the Treaty to Chingee if you cannot any way gett it to ffort S^{t}. Davids which would be much for your Honour and Interest We hope you will find means to put an end to the Warr speedily that your Investment may go briskly on.

We direct that the Treaty with Surop Sing be carried on between our President here and you Deputy Govern^{r}. for prvicys sake that what passes between them on this occasion be in Letters apart from other businesses and entred but themselves in a Book to be sent Home and that before the Treaty is signed it be first to and approved of by you in councill and then Transmitted to us for a final Conclusion.

We have sent your Generall to the Company signed as it came to our Hands recommending your care and ingenious behaviour in dictating so much Villany we pray you to go on in further discoverys that we may be able to do our Honble. Masters some justice or those that are guilty, and in order thereto, as M^{r}. Raworth is atternie to M^{r}. Gabriel Roberts late Dep^{ty}. Govern^{r}. of your place. We doe here by attack the Monys and effects of the said Gabriel Roberts in his Hands requiring him forthwith to pay and deliver up the same to this Board to be detained till the

pleasure of our Hon[ble]. Masters is known for our future proceedings and we will give him a sufficient Discharge, We are

FORT S[T]. GEORGE Sept[EMR]. THE 8: 1711.

S[rs].
Your Humble Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 83.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ[R].
DEPUTY GOVERN[R]. OF FORT S[T]. DAVID
&C[A]. COUNCILL

The 8 Instant we wrote you largely by land this come by Cap[t]. Edmund Housen to whom the Govern[r]. has given A Commission and we hope he will behave himselfe so as deser[ve] your favour and ours.

On the same Vessell which belongs to M[r]. Baker we have sent you Ten Chests of Wine and the stores you Wrote for us by the inclosed Invoyce.

The packing stuff and ropes as also Ten Chests of Wine more come by a Country Boat hired for that purpose but we wonder you did not send the Sloop up hither or the Madapollam upon this occasion.

We have just now received yours of the 7 Instant to which we shall answere by land tomorrow Morning we send also by this Boat Joseph Paddle and John Jones of whom the President write in his particular letter.

Inclosed is a Commission for Ensigne Kirkbridge according to your desire, We are

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
SEPTEM[R]. 10TH. 1711

S[rs].
Your Humble Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

LIST OF THE PACQUETT.

N° 1 ffort S[t]. George Generall dated the 10 Instant.
2 Invoyce of what laden on board the Brigganteen.
3 Coppy of the General Lett[r]. dated the 5 Instant.
4 Ensign Kirkbridges Commission.
5 Landells receipt for what Stores laden on Board.
6 Cap[t]. Housens receipt for Arms.
7 List of the Pacquett.

S[rs]. This serves as cover to the inclosed by order of the Govern[r].

S[rs]
Your Humble Servants

JOSEPH SMART,
Sec[ry].

FORT S[T]. GEORGE
SEPTEM[R]. 10TH. 1711.

N°. 84.

To Francis Hastings Esqr.
Cheif &c^a^. Councill att Vizag^m^.

We received your Augt. 9th. the 2^d^. of this Month at which time our Hands were full dispatching the Europe and Bengall Ships the 24th. August we wrote you as ℔ inclosed Coppy with 10000 Pagodas to which we hope a Speedy Answere.

The 3^d^. Instant we sent further 6000 Pagodas upon A Vessell called Verdageny by Six Peons, and this we reckon will be sufficient for the Present, however if you find that goods will come in [a]pace and you are like to want more Mony before the season will permit us to send it down We would have you take all oppertunitys to draw upon us and the bills shall be punctually paid.

We are well pleased with the hopes you give us of a large Quantity of goods and daily expect the Rising Sun to help fill the Hallifax so as to be dispatch^t^. in all this Month We referr to our former Lett^r^. for what Betellas you are to provide and are not sorry to find the Betellas you have by you exceed in proportion if they are good of the Kind, but we doe not want them so much for January as for this October ship and therefore depended you would have dispatched the Smack so as to have been here By this time, that we might have been able to wash the Betellas if you have detained her longer than ordinary you will put us to very great inconvenience.

M^r^. Cranwells Bill is paid, We are glad your Nabob is removed further off the being at the best Troublesome and Chargeable Neighbours.

Fail not to send us speedy advices if you have any News of the French upon the Coast hitherto to our great Comfort none are Arrived We wish you success and are.

The President does not find the Affair of the Gamjam Gally so fully explained in the Letter you referr to as thereby to make any finall Dessision.

S^rs^.
Your Real Friends & Hum^ble^.
Servants

Fort S^t^. George
Septem^r^. the 11th. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
Willm. Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Waree.
Richard Hunt.

S^rs^.

You will receive ℔ this Boat Ten Chests of Wine for the use of your ffactory amounting to Pagodas 82 : 24 : 4 for which place to Credit Account Currant Fort S^t^. George the Tankerville and Bouverie sailed hence the 4 instant for Europe the Latter with a Cargoe of Pag^ds^. 68700 with I am ordered by the Govern^r^. to acquaint you with.

S^rs^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

Joseph Smart,
Sec^ry^.

Fort S . George
Septem^r^. the 11th. 1711.

N°. 85

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Govern^{R}. of Fort S^{T}. David
&c^{A}. Councill.

Yours dated the 7 came to Hand the 10th. in the morning with the inclosed acco^{t}. of the barbarous Murther committed by Vunbal Huson which we have taken into Consideration and doe now order the Murtherer to kept in safe and Close Custody on Rice and Water till you have a secure oppertunity of sending him hither to his Triall and as for Derrick Johnson who appears to us to be concerned more or less in the fact We also direct that he remain close Prisoner till you can send him together with the former This barbarous action may serve to show you how necessary it is to keep up strict discipline in time of action, pray be Vigilant yourselves and encourage the Officers to doe there Dutys at their severall Posts.

We have said enough to your Investments in our former, and shall endeavoure to send you proper Musters as soon as Possible for upon opening and Viewing a Bale of long Cloth Yesterday from your place N°. 1. 2. & 3 sorted by M^{r}. Berlu and imbaled by M^{r}. Haughton We must tell you such scandalous Cloth is not fit to go for England nor any Market in the World and we have reason to fear that those Concerned will feal the Companys resentment, for it appears upon Comparing with our Musters here to be 40 ₱ Cent worse than it ought to be, so if Sorted to your musters 'tis time they were Changed.

We desire to know when your Musters were Sealed and by whom, and if they ever were approved from hence.

We know not how to supply you with Mony by Sea now the French are daily expected, nor can we as you very well know do any thing by land without so great a hazard of loosing it, so that, We must wait till the Monsoon favours us and in the meantime empower you to Draw whenever you can find a good oppertunity but if your Merchants take the Broad Cloth it will very near pay for the Investment to which we wait your Answere.

We are sincible of the great Charge you are at and can only recommend that you keep it as low as possible and we hope this Warr will not last for ever.

The President Answers M^{r}. Raworth to the Affair of Surop Sing, We shall only say you well doe well to improve all Mobet Cawns false Steps in rifling and Plundring the Duans and Abdell Nabby's Country to your own advantage which cannot be a hard matter to do.

We shall enquire into the Affair of Doctor Landen['s] Books and answere in our Next.

You shall be supplied with all you desire as fast as we can find Conveyances.

One Hundred Garse of rice and Padey are already on the way to you, Wine and Wheat shall follow as you will see by the Coppys that accompany this and we desire to [send] w^{ht}. Grain will be sufficient for your bounds till Christmass, we cannot afford to send Grain from hence to make a Market in your Neighbouring parts least we should bring Scarcity upon ourselves you ought to keep all we send on the Companys Account in stores as large as possible least any unforeseen accident should happen. We are.

Fort S^{T}. George
Septem^{R} the 15TH. 1711.

S^{rs}.
Your Hum^{ble}. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. [86]

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Govern^{R}. of Fort S^{T}. David &c^{A}. Council.

S^{rs}.

This comes by the Maddapollam with Four Garse and Two Hundred and Seventy Three Mercalls of Paddy which is all we could take in, send her back with all expeditions she shall not lye idle send back all the empty Baggs you can spare there are neither baggs nor Gunnys for use of this place M^{r}. Landens Books are paid for by the Company in England and we beleive Twice as much as they are Worth We have put a Board according to your desire Six of Laskars with a Cable and Anchor.

This Letter is Signed for expeditions sake by Order of the Governour.

Fort S^{T}. George
Septem^{R}. the 15: 1711.

Joseph Smart,
Sec^{ry}.

N°. 8[7]

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Govern^{R}. of Fort S^{T}. David &c^{A}. Council.

S^{rs}.

This comes by a Vessell belonging to Sunka Rama and Company Jentu Merchants bound to your Port with Grain Provisions and Stores in hopes of coming to a good Markett these Troublesome times.

We have taken this oppertunity to send Ensign Burnell With a Sergeant and Two Soldiers for a guard to bring up the Two Prisioners whom we would gladly have punished at your place if we know how to invest you with a sufficient power for that purpose We are examining to see w^{ht}. Power we have ourselves and direct that you put the Two Prisoners aboard this Vessell into Custody of the foresaid officer and Soldiers.

We shall answer yours rec^{d}. Yesterday by M^{r}. Frederick Sloop by land Conveyance to Morrow till when We are.

Fort S^{T}. George
Septem^{R}. the 19: 1711.

S^{rs}.
Your Hum^{ble}. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 88

To Robert Raworth Esq^{R}.
Deputy Govern^{R}. of Fort S^{T}. David &c^{A}. Council.

Fort S^{T}. George Septem . 20TH: 1711.

S^{rs}.

This is Chiefly to advise you we have laden on Board these two Country Boats Eighty thousand Firewood and have directed the chief Boat fellows in case they meet a Ship to throw this Overboard and for that purpose send a Jentue Lett^{r}. Consig[n]ing

the same to Eram Rause your Chief Merchant you will find by the enclosed receipt the ffreight is paid we shall Write you speedily Overland. We are.

the Warehousekeeper has paid but half the freight here the other you must Discharge which is P : 15 : 20.

Signed by the Govern^r.
Your Humble Servant
JOSEPH SMART,
Secry.

N°. 89

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^R.

DEPUTY GOVERN^R. OF FORT S^T. DAVID &C^A. COUNCILL.

We dispatched you the Essex on the 19th. with a short lett^r. as ℘ inclosed coppys sutable to the [tim]es and the expected danger of the French and we now send you the Invoyce and bills of Lading desiring a very particular Acco^t. of all you receive.

Yesterday we dispatched two Boats with 80000 Firewood as ℘ inclosed Lett^r. send on said Boats.

We have a further supply of Paddy ready to sail and now we begin to find the poor clamours on Account of the Quantitys we send away yet we will continue to send you w^ht^. we can by the Boats bound to the Southward before this Monsoon is spent We have hired the Sloop Mary for the Honble. Company to be employed to and fro as long as Practicable for the Monsoon and shall send her laden to you in very few Days.

We shall send you a peice of Long Cloth by the next Boat to Compare with the musters by which it ought to have been sorted.

We have broke the Capt. and Ensign and have orddred the Capt. Horne by the Hallifax the Capt. alledged that he was in an Apoplectick fitt when M^r. Harrison came to Cuddalore and that M^r. Harrison did not so much as see what condition he was in this we suppose to be an evasion hoping you were well informed before you gave us the Charge against him.

M^r. Hebert Writes us the 17th. that an English Gunner 30 years old had deserted from your place and was Arrived in the Boxis Camp which being before your last Lett^r: came away we are surprized a thing of so much moment was fforgotten.

We consent to letting your Merchants have the Broad Cloth on the Terms you mention and shall Deliver it to their order here as you advise that goods are brought into your Godowns and we hope this favour that is privately Grumbled at here will induce them to go Cheerfully thro' their Investment.

As soon as Arrack can be procured we will send you the Quantity you desire.

We can by no means Consent to more fine Goods without a due propotion of Course and we wonder at Backwardness of your Merchants in this Article seeing that long Cloth and Sallampores are the great Staple of your parts if they come not to our termes you must Contract no further.

We must expect you will doe something speedily to dispatch the Hallifax for there is no hope of getting in the Wierpollam Cloth that lies ready till your troubles are adjusted.

We have some reason to beleive you are betrayed by your Black Servants every St[e]p you take being know in the Enemys Camp and at Chingy you will doe well to lye in Wait to discover some one guilty person of whom we will make a severe Example.

Capt. Roaches bill is accepted and Paid.

We have sent what Stores we have in the Garrison of the Sorts you wrote for and are now destitute ourselves wherefore we recommend to you that care be taken of the Arms &c^a^. that we may have them back when this business is over. We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM^R^. THE 21ST. 1711

S^rs^.
Your Humble Servants
EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 90.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERN^R^. OF FORT S^T^. DAVID &C^A^. COUNCILL.

S^rs^.

According to our promise to you in ours of Yesterdays date we have just now dispatched to you a Boat of Colloway Chittee with Eighteen Garse of Paddy as likewise one peice of Long Cloth N°, 2 which you are to compare with the Musters you ought to sort by We have not further.

Signed by order of the Govern^r^.

J. SMART,
Sec^ry^.

N°. 91.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERN^R^. OF FORT S^T^. DAVID &C^A^. COUNCILL.

We have rec^d^. Yours of the 30 by M^r^. Bakers Sloop and just now that of the 23^d^. by the small Sloop Ramma advising that the two French Ships are Arrived.

We have taken all convenient care of the Essex bound to your place however it will not be amiss that you dispatch a Cattamaran along Shore to advise them to pass Ponticherry if Possible in the Night and if they should happen to be examined by the French let them hide or throw over board all English Lett^rs^. and say they were only bound to your place to land the Arms but that their Cargo belongs to Ponticherry.

We have rec^d^. Letters from Ponticherry advising that the Two Ships arrived are Prizes one Dutch and one English we take to be the Seperate Stock Ship bound to this Port one Jackson Supra Cargoe but the particulars of this matter we must expect from you.

We consent that M^r^. Jolly be entertained in the service on the usuall terms and that you doe promise him sufficient Warning whenever we are oblidged to remove him, and shall write by the Hallifax to prevent any Body Coming out for that Station.

Dispatch the inclosed Letter to Trincombarr with a request to the Govern^r^. that he will use diligence to put it aboard any of our Ships that appears in sight of that Port and the same to the Govern^r^. of Nagapatam and desire the Govern^r^. of Trincombarr that if he hears any Ship is at Nagapatam to send them Word he has orders for them because we are fearfull the Dutch may deceive us according to their Principles.

If any thing extraordinary happens we impower the Deputy Govern^{r}. to give the need full orders to the foresaid ports for the security of our Shipping who shall send us Copys of such orders with all the expedition and we send him here with our orders open that he may take Copys for his information which being done lett him seal them up and send them away demanding the old ones back. We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
SEPTEM^{R}. 25TH. 1711

S^{r}.
Your Hum^{ble}. Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 92.

TO THE SUPRA CARGOES & COMM^{DRS}. OF ALL ENGLISH SHIPS THAT MAY ARRIVE AT THE PORT OF TINCOMBARR.

GENTLEMAN

Two prizes are Arrived at Ponticherry one English and the other Dutch taken by Two French Ships bound to Moco the Dutch Ship is of their first Rate and the English a small Seperate Stock Ship of 26 Gunns.

Whereas the change of the Monsoon now draws near we would have you immediately to take off your Treasure again if you have Landed it and to put to Sea without loss of time keeping very good offing till you are out of all Dangers of Ponticherry and if you find you can be able to reach their place by the midle of Octobar we order you make for the road but if y^{o}. find you cannot we advise you to keep the Sea and ply to the Northward till the first full Moon in Novr. is over and then to make the best of your way hither when all danger of the Monsoon will in likelyhood be over.

It will be necessary that you furnish your selfe with Water and provisions sufficient for the foregoing purpose before you leave the place where this Letter meets you.

We would have you to Hoyse your Jack at Foretopmast Head and fire Two Gunns whenever you appear fair in Sight of this road y^{t}. we can distinguish it.

As soon as you have read this Coppy Seal and redeliver it to the Hands from whom you receive it for those y^{t}. follow. We wish you Success and are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
SEPTEM^{R}. THE 25 : 1711

S^{r}.
Your Humble Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

The above said order was likewise sent to Nagapatam at the same time.

No. 93.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Council.

Srs.

This morning we dispatched by Pattamarr an answere to yours of the 23^d^. Instant to which we referr, this being only to advise you that we have laden on Board the Mary Yatch 2½ Garse of Paddy which we hope may speedily Arrive with you.

We have likewise Loaden on her Six Leagers of Arrack which is the needfull from.

Signed by order of the Govern^r^. and Councill.

Fort S^t^. George
Septem^r^. the 25th. 1711

Joseph Smart *Sec^ry^.*

No. 94.

To M^r^. Phillip Noden
Att Metchlepatam

Our last to you was the 22^d^. July since which We have received yours of the 22^l^. August which we shall answere in three or Four Days, the hurry of business we are in not permitting us to enlarge no further, than to desire you would forward the inclosed with all expedition to Vizagapatam, We have just time to advise you that the Two French Ships gone for Moco have sent in to Ponticherry Two Prizes Viz^t^. a large Dutch Ship of 52 Gunns taken off the Cape & an English Ship of 26 Gunns Seperate Stock We have no further.

Signed by order of the Govr. and Councill.

J. Smart *Sec^ry^.*

No. 95.

To Francis Hastings Esqr.
Cheif &c^a^. Council at Vizagapatam

Srs.

Our last to you was Septem^r^. 11th. ℘ Boat with Ten Chests of Syrash Wine.

Yesterday we received advise of the Arrivall of Two Prizes at Pondicherry taken by the Five French Ships bound to Moco (whom proceeded on their Voyage) Viz^t^. a Dutch Ship of 52 Gunns and an English Seperate Stock Ship Directly from Europe.

We wait with great impatience the Arrivall of the Rising Sun to enable us to Dispatch the Hallifax with all Expedition. We expected her long ago by what you wrote us the 12 August and made provisions accordingly we are much Surprized to have received no Letters from you since that time, you should have informed us when you dispatched the Rising Sun, she will now probable Arrive so late that we cannot return her to you to make another trip in December which will be a very great disappointment to our January Ship.

You must encourage sending us grain from yor. Parts when the Monsoon Changes. We hope you are heard at Work to procure us what Cloth you can which is all at Present from

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM^R^. THE 25TH. 1711

S^rs^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILILAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 96.

TO HON^BLE^. WILLIAM AISLABIE ESQ^R^.
GENERALL OF THE COAST OF INDIA &C^A^. COUNCIL AT BOMBAY.

HON^BLE^. SIRS &C^A^.

We received your by our returning Cossids and have since wrote you what has offered by an Armenian Pattamarr Copy of which comes herewith.

The 28 instant we received yours by the S^t^. Andrew at which time Capt. Keble in the William lay ready to Sail the Day following having taken goods here upon Freight to the amount of Pagodas 1600 or thereabouts belonging to English Moores Armenians and Jentues.

We have carefully considered the directions you gave us about the Said Ship and to make all partys as Easy as possible have taken the following method.

We Summon'd all the Freighters here to whom Keble has Signed Bills of Lading and acquainted them with your orders about the Capt. they all seemed intirely Satisfied with him but agreed that they would rest satisfied with whatever we should determine.

We sent for the Capt. and read the affidavits to him which he denies and Capt. Gaywood being here present softens that matter very much saying that what past between them was but Table Talk and that Gaywood was in a manner forcible obliged by the President to deliver upon Oath what had passed in their Conversation.

The Capt. declares in his own Justification that he did his best to have gained his passage That being Obliged to Winter on the Coast he [would have] to leave Cocheen for want of provisions as he will make it appear That he thought it much more for the Interest of his Owners to Come hither and fill up his Ship towards pay^s^. the great charges she was at than to lye idle at Cocheen or else where on that Coast the whole season.

The Cheif Mate was sent for who is a person put in by M^r^. Aislabie as he informed us and he declared that the Capt. put out only One Thousand Baggs of Sugar or thereabouts belonging to the Freighters at Cocheen so that he seems to us as if your Hon^r^. and the Councill have been falsly informed by some malitious Persons Concerning this matter with intent to ruin this mans Fortune and reputation or may be to get his employ.

We find the Capt. willing upon any terms to come to Bombay to justifie himself and doe really believe that he allways intended it, for we have observed his extraordinary dilligence in Picking Freight up at this place tho' he had a large Rivall Ship to contended with.

However since you suspect him so much in your Letter we have as farr as we can answere complied with your Desire as follows.

We have delivered the charge of the Ship to Mr. James Collinson Merchant of this place a Sober able Person who has the Honr. to be known to you.

We have consented to continue Keble in the Ship upon his Signing the inclosed bond and his earnest desire to come and justifie himself before you.

And to make all as secure as Possible we have sworn all the Cheif Officers of the Ship as by the inclosed Copy of the Oath and oblidged the William and St. Cruz to keep Company together as farr as Cocheen.

We have likewise given Instructions to Mr. Collinson as ℘ inclosed Copy and agreed to give him Two Hundred Pagodas for his Trouble and pains which we hope will meet yor. [ap]probation not Doubting but by his good conduct in This affair he will merrit your further favour.

We can by no means justifie Keble's false Steps in Landing goods without order and coming round Ceylan back again on his own Head, but we really believe his faults proceed for want of better judgment rather than from the bad principles laid to his charge he was undoubtedly dispatched from the Bay too late to save his Passage if he behaves himself well till his Arrivall with you hope you will be mercifull in your judgement which is all we have to say on this Subject Observing that you had given orders to the Dutchess to seize the William we have write the Capt. of that Ship as by the Copy here inclosed.

We are heartily sorry for our Masters loss by the Godolphin which will undoubtedly be a considerable disappointment to the Dispatching your Europe Ships.

The 23 instant arrived at Ponticherry a great Dutch Ship from Holland taken off the Cape by the Two French Ships bound to Moco and also a small English Seperate Stock Ship called the Oxford from England bound to the Port which was taken off Ceylan by the aforsaid Dutch Prize The Two French Ships took one Hundred Thousand Dollars out of the Prize and sent her round hither to us further particulars of this afair.

On the 4 instant we Dispatched the Des Bouverie (who sailed in Company with the Tankeirvill) with a Cargo amounting to One Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Nine Pagodas Nine Funams and Four Cash which God grant may Safely Arrive with our Honble. Masters and on the 5: Ditto sailed for the bay Ships Dartmouth Avarilla Aurengzebe and Sherebourn.

Our troubles still continue at Fort St. David but we beleive that the Two last Actions we had with the enemy (where they have lost abundance of Men) has made them sick of the Warr and hope that the daily desertion of their Force for want of Pay will bring them to a speedy Compliance we are

Fort St. George
Septemr. 26th. 1711.

Srs.
Your Humble Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warr.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 97.

To the Honble. William Proby Esqr. &c^a^. Council
at Surrat.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Our last to you was of the 18th. August Overland by Armenian Cossids Copy of which comes inclosed.

On the 28 instant Arrived at Ponticherry a great Dutch Ship from Holland taken off the Cape by the Two French Ships bound to Moco and also a small English Seperate Stock Ship Called the Oxford bound to this port (One Jackson Supra Cargo who formerly resided at Surrat) which was taken of Ceylon by the aforesaid Dutch Prize the Two French Ships took One Hundred Thousand Dollars out of the Prize and sent her bound hither, we have hitherto no further particulars of this Affair.

On the 4 Instant we Dispatched the Des Bouverie (who sailed in Company with the Tankervill) with a Cargoe Amounting to One Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Nine Pagodas Nine Fanams and Four Cash which God Grant may safely arrive with our Honble. Masters and on the 5th. D°. sailed for the Bay Ships Dartmouth Avarilla Aurengzebe and Sherbourn.

Our Troubles still Continues at ffort S^t^. David but we beleive that the two last Actions we had with Enemy (wherein they have lost abandance of Men) has made them Sick of the Warr, and hope that the Daily Desertion of their forces for want of pay will bring them to a Speedy Compliance, we shall be sure to advise you ℘ all opportunitys. We are,

S^rs^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 98.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Council.

S^rs^.

This Comes by Thomas [. . .]mly and acquaints you that we have laden in the Boat he takes his Passage Viz^t^. Iron Shot Two Hundred Sail Needles Two Dozen Half Hour Glasses Six which I am Ordred to acquaint you with as likewise One Grapling.

Signed by order of the Govern^r^. &c. Council.

J. Smart,
Sec^ry^.

N°. 99.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs
of The R^t^. Honble. United English East India Company
and Govr. of Fort William &c^a^. Council.

Honble. S^rs^. &c^a^.

The last Oppertunity we had of writing you was by our Ships Dispatched the 5th. Instant and we are without any advices from you ever since the 27 March which is a very great Surprize to us Considering how necessary tis both for the interest of our Masters and ourselves that we should hear often from one another.

The Two French Ships from [. . .] bound to Ponticherry are not yet Arrived but on the 23 Instant two Prizes Anchored in that Port one a great Dutch Ship of their first late Outward Bound from Amsterdam that was taken a little to the Westward of Cape Good Hope by Two French Ships bound to Moco these are the Three Ships that Capt. Phrip saw of Cape Aguilas Standing to the East, and twas well for him the Weather was bad and Night at hand the two Ships with their Prize proceeded to Moco but the Season being late rather [than] loose time they took the Mony out of the prize being about One hundred Thousand Dollars and left her to follow them the Prize beat a Considerable time to no purpose about Soccatora and at last being in Want of Provisions and Water bore away for this Coast and coming round Ceylon of the Fryars Hood he met a small Seperate Stock Ship called the Oxford bound hither with one M^r^. Jackson Supra Cargoe; The Oxford seeing a great Dutch Ship astern Pretty near him in the Morning lay by till he came up to enquire for News of the French, the Prize went Close under his Lee Quarter ranged up along side and fired into him upon which they struck and Surrendred The English Ship could wrong the Dutchman with his Topsails upon the Capp but being too inquisitive cost them Dear.

We learn from the Oxford's Mate arrived here Yesterday that the Darby Jane Litchfield and Mountague sailed in Company with them from England the 28th Aprill and that he saw them last in June somewhere near Y^e^. Cape De Verds.

We Omitted in our last to acquaint you that Our Masters have ordred in the Generall Letter by the new President that Capt. Francis Seaton be not permitted to stay at this place nor in any Other part of India, accordingly we ordred him home, and gave him the choice of his Ship and he requesting to go by way of Bengall for the Benefitt of his Affairs depending in Shipping abroad we would not Deny him so small a favour and he took his passage on the Aurengzebe first giving us a bond of Two Thousand Pagodas in case he does not Comply with the order, and embarque on some one of the Ships bound home this season.

We also send you a Copy of the Paragraph in the Generall Letter and desire that if his mind alters you will use such methods as you think the Companys orders will bear.

Our Accountant desires your Journall parcells relating to this place ⅌ first Oppertunity [. . .] with ours that no mistakes may happen by long Delay.

If Batavia Arrack is at or 70 Rupees we desire Ten or Twenty leagears by the first Ship.

Inclosed we send the Ship's Charterpartys that were omitted to be sent by them thrô the Secretarys forgetfullness.

M^r^. Jeremiah Harrison at his return from the West Coast gave in an Account of remains in which we find no Salt Petre and not having heard from thence since that time we are very apprehensive that the Ships expected there from Europe this Season cannot be kintladged to save their Monsoon and therefore we desire that Dolbin bound to Batavia may take in 1500 Baggs of Salt Petre or more for that place at as a low a ffreight as you can agree: we hope it may be done at 2 Rupees or thereabouts ⅌ Bagg.

The Hallifax has good part of Lading in we only wait the Arrivall of the Rising Sun Smack from Vizagap^m^. to fill and dispatch her.

We are now in no manner of Doubt but we shall be able to Compass the loading of the Avarilla and to Dispatch her pretty early for Europe.

The Wax yearly sent up from your place is allways very foul and full of Dirt and if it lyes any time in the Godowns there happens great loss in the weight, we would be glad if it could be refined and Cleaned before you send it, we cannot get persons here that understand the doing it.

We are under no small apprehensions seeing that none of your ships are Arrived, and wonder where the Success Gally is detained.

Here is certain news of the Emperour and Dauphins Death and that the Duke of Malborough is gone to Flanders, We are.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM^R^. 30: 1711

S^rs^
Your Hum^ble^. Servants.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
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WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 100.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^R^
DEPUTY GOVERN^R^. OF FORT S^T^. DAVID &C^A^. COUNCILL.

As by the inclosed receipt you will see we have sent you by these Boats Thirty Two Garse of Paddy which we hope may Speedily Arrive with you.
Signed by Order of the Govern^r^. and Councill.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
SEPTEM^R^. 30: 1711.

JOSEPH SMART,
Secry.

N°. 101.

TO THE HON^BLE^. WILLIAM ESTON ESQ^R^.
CHIEF &C^A^. COUNCILL AT GOMBROON.

S^RS^.

We are very much Surprized that you have not sent us by any of the Ships this Season Wine and Fruit according to the Companys Orders, there must certainly be some misunderstanding in this matter, and to prevent anything of the like for the future, we send you inclosed a Copy of the Paragraph relating thereto, which we received by our new President, and desire you would not fail to send us yearly what wanted as ℔ List inclosed. We have not further, but are,

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
OCTOBER 1ST. 1711.

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WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 102.

To The Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of
the Rt. Honble. United English East India Company
and Govr. of Fort William &ca. Councill.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Yesterday Afternoon Arrived the Success by whom recd. your Generall Letter dated the 31 August as also a Copy of what sent by Zoodie Cawn's Cossids of which to our great Surprize we have heard nothing to this Day, nor of that Lettr. which you mention therein to have sent dated the 18 May, the last we had from you was dated the 27 March, so that it is a misfortune and no fault of ours, if you have wanted Mony to promote your Investments, Mr. Deane sent a private Cossid from Ballasore in June which Arrived Safe here, but brought not one word for us, we hope you will take it into Your Consideration for the future that our Honble. Masters concerns under your Presidency and ours are of so much Value and have so much Dependence on Each other, that frequent advices are absolutely necessary tho' never so chargeable and it is impossible for us ever to answer the expectation of our imployers if in the Season of the Year which Ships are expected from Europe we have not fresh advices from you for the disposall of what Consigned us belonging to our Port, if we had known your Distress, it would have Easily been remeded but as we had just reason to [believe] that the French Ships expected upon the Coast were gone to the Northward we could by no means think it adviseable to send a large Sume of Mony upon a Single Ship nor could we send Mr. Raworth to Fort St. David where his Presence was very necessary without a Sufficient force to Secure one another in case they had happened to fall in with the French, because we had only taken out the Mony and Cloth and all the Co[mpanys] Kintlage Remaining aboard till their return.

The Blank in your Letter for the Number of Chests of Rupees by the St. George was not filled up b[ut] we are glad She Arrived Safe with you she having [so] large a Supply of Silver aboard.

It was Eight a Clock last Night before we received your Genll. Letter and this Morning before we could read it so that you must excuse us if we cannot give you a full answer by this Ship which is going under Sail we have recd. all the Papers mentioned in your Pacquet and shall forward your Gennerall Lettr. to the Court of Directors by the Hallifax whom we do not doubt but to Dispatch by the middle of this Month at furthest.

We shall write you in few Days by the Maria Maide and are

Fort St. George
Octobr. 2: 1711. At Eight in the Morning your Honr. &c will hear That Mr. Anderson died in his way hither & we understand has left a will in Bengall it is the request of his relations here that you will take what Effects he has left under your care as farr as consists with the will untill they can have a Copy of it by the first Conveyance.

Honble. Sr. &ca.
Your Real Friends and humble. Servants.
Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt

No. 103.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Councill.

Srs.

Inclosed are Invoices for what Stores and Grain sent you since our last which we shall be glad to hear are safe Arrived and now we shall stop our hand, till we hear further from you.

We shall send you the Seal you wrote for ℘ first Conveyance as allso the Broad Cloth according to your List but if you do not Speedily dispatch the Sloop we have hired, we do not see how she can be employed any more this Season nor shall we care to Venture the Cloth by Sea when the Monsoon is at hand.

The Hallifax has now about 800 Bales on Board and we wait with the utmost impatience what y^e. have promised us from your Parts to fill her up that we may send her away before the next full moon.

The Rising Sun was Dispatched from Vizagap^m. the 16 Septem^r. and was seen of Du Point by the Sarah and Hester that Arrived here the 8 Instant the Capt. reports that the Rising Sun stood away Large to Sea which gives us some apprehensions that he may be horsed away to the Southward which will be the last ill Consequence, there are One hundred and Four Bales aboard her and Twenty Five Soldiers that may Chance to perish for want of Water and Provisions and if She should get in with the Shoar anywhere to the Southward there will be great hazard of her falling in with the French Prize that lies ready to Sail to Moco and at best She is so heavy a Sailer that there are little hopes of her getting up hither this Monsoon and should She [. . .] be forced to ride it out else where, we shall be in Danger of losing both Vessell and Cargo.

We recommend it therefore to you to look out for her in Your parts, and whenever she may happen to Arrive you may have the Earliest advices of it and take such Speedy measures as in your prudence you shall judge most adviseable for the preservation of the Vessell and what is on Board, and if there is no likelyhood of her getting up hither without Considerable risque We had rather She [were] unladen and Secured in your river.

We desire you would immediately inform us what Water there is upon your Barr that may be Depended on, and what there usually is all this Month of October that if any small Vessels are in Distress we may Direct them thither for their safety. We have not further to add but that we are

Fort St George
Octob^r. the 6 : 1711

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N°. 104.

To the Worsp^ll. Anthony Ettrick Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r. of York Fort &c^a. Councill.

S^rs.

We are strangly surprized to have heard nothing from you since the Arrivall of the Frederick though you have had many good oppertunitys and particularly that of Capt. Hart in the Golconda in Aprill last who you well know was bound to Batavia to

return hither in July or August this is an unpardonable Omission considring you are immediately under the Direction of this Presidency for we are at the greatest loss imaginable what measures to take, and how to Supply you we might reasonably think by your Silence you wanted nothing and if you suffer any hardships it is intirely your own fault, and we are no way to blame.

On the 10 of July Arrived here Ships Dartmouth Aurungzebe and Averilla on the former came the Honble. Edward Harrison Esqr. with a Commission for being President of this Coast and the Island Sumatra we are likewise to Acquaint you that our Honble. Masters have thought fitt to make an Alteration in your Settlement and have appointed a New Deputy Govern^r^. who is daily expected here in the Jane from England he is to take his finall instructions from hence and when it pleases God that he Arrives we shall immediately dispatch him to your Port.

We shall expect that M^r^. Anthony Ettrick will prepare his Books and all things in readiness to deliver up his Trust handsomely to the new Deputy Govern^r^. immediately on his Arrivall, and his good Services shall not only meet with a Suitable return from us on his [com]ing hither but we will take care to represent the [matter] home to his advantage.

Three Ships are appointed for your Coast this Season Viz^t^. the Jane Burthen One hundred and Eighty Tons The Thistleworth Burthen Two hundred and Fifty Tons and Toddington Burthen Two hundred and Thirty Tons. They all left England the latter End of Aprill the Jane as we said before is bound directly hither and the other two Ships are to Touch at S^t^. Hellena and may be expected to Arrive with you sometime this Month.

For want of advices we know not what Quantity of Salt Petre and Redwood you have in your Godowns if it were fit to trust Common fame you are not unprovided but in M^r^. Jeremiah Harrisons acco^t^. of remains there is no mention made of Either of those Articles so that for fear of a disappointment in Loading home the expected Ships we have ffreighted Four Hundred Baggs of Salt Petre on this Vessell and thirty Candy of redwood knowing beforehand that the Jane is So much Pestred with Stores that She will be able to take in little or nothing when she comes here we have likewise ordred a further Quantity of Petre from Bengall upon any Ship bound thence to Batavia and we Daily expect the Ship President from the Bay whom we shall dispatch to you with all expedition.

We Direct that if either of the Two Ships Thistleworth or Toddington or both shall Arrive with You before the Jane you do your utmost to Dispatch them home in time to reach the Dutch Fleet at the Cape and be sure to protest against their going to Batavia.

If you could by any means procure a quantity of Arrack and other necessarys from Batavia to supply y^r^. Shipping, you would leave them no pretence for going thither, but as we know nothing of your present Condition, of what you have or what you want we can say no more on this head till the Jane arrives. It would be a very great disappointment to our Masters if they should have no Pepper home from your place this Season.

We have now before us great Complaints against your Settlement under the former Deputy Governours Ridly Cross and Skingle about which we shall give Ample Directions by the Jane and in the meantime shall only recommend frugallity in your Expences, and Dilligence in Dispatching of y^r^. Ships out of what Mony they bring which is all we can say in this state of Ignorance we may call it in which you have unwarrantably left us.

We should by no means have M^r^. Ettrick leave the place before the Jane Arrives, as he values the Companys and our favour at his return.

We have not paid the freight of the Salt Petre and Redwood but would have you give M^r^. Jones a receipt expressing the Quantity and the Condition in which you receive the goods whereby we may make the owners due Satisfaction here.

We order whatever Debts of Mr. Skingle may have been recovered since his Coming away [the] Mony be secured in the Companys Cash till further orders and all other Effects of his that fall into your hands and Direct to be sold as the Mony likewise paid into the Cash aforesaid.

We shall not add more at present than that we are.

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOBER THE 8TH. 1711.

SRS.
Your Affectionatate ffriends and humble. Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
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WILLIAM WARRE.
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No. 105.

TO THE HONBLE. JOHN RUSSELL ESQR.
PRESIDENT OF BENGALL FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT. HONBLE. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY AND GOVERNR. OF FORT WILLIAM &C. COUNCILL.

HONBLE. SR. &CA.

The Foregoing is Copy of what wrote you in hast ℘ the John Elizabeth and this being the last ship bound Down we will [*a few words lost*] Answere to yours, as the hurry we are in sending away the Hallifax and Success will permitt.

Yours ℘ Cossid dated the 21 of May never yet came to hand.

The 3d. Instant Arrived Zoody Cawns Cossid by whom we recd. your Originall ye. 9th. of June and a Copy of that the 21 of May they gave us but very frivelous reasons for there having been so long upon the Road and we beleive if the truth was known they did not set out in Considerable time after ys. of your letter we hope you will be pleased for ye. future to provide Cossids on whom there may be more dependance and when there is any thing of moment to dispatch one upon anothers Back especially in the Month of May which will in probability be here much about the time of the Arrivall of the Ships from Europe and if it were practicable to lay Tappy Peons from Ballasore to Vizagapatam we could do the same from hence to Metchlepatam which would be at least Twenty Days gain and the expence will be inconsiderable Compared with great benefit that our Honble. Masters and we may receive thereby during this present Warr for if any French Ships arrive at Ballasore road to Cruize and we can by these means get advices of them here time enough to stop either the Companys Ships or our own we are very sure they will never grudge the expence and we propose that half the Charge be borne by the Trading Gentlemen with you and us if you agree to the proposall pray let no time be lost but let us be ready against next Season.

As for the Affair of the Pegu Embassy—remember it perfectly well and when Abdull Fuzal returned from thence Zoody Cawns Account though he little deserved it, for [t]he severall insolent Things in the former Presidents time which would not be suffered now and after having spent all his Mony and borrowed all he could get he went down for Hugly some time in the Month of August Considerably indebted to Coja Zachary and severall other Merchants in this Place.

We have received the bill of Exchange for Five Thousand Rupees drawn by Messrs. Russell and Addam upon Messrs. Raworth and Frederick which is accepted & the Mony shall be applyed According to Zoody Cawns Directions as there is occasion, the Elephants are in Au[ga] Mokeens Possession by agreement with Abdull Fuzzeell and cannot be Transported to Hugly by Sea if it is practicable to send them by land as Zoody Cawn has directed we will concert measures with Auga Mokeem and either send them or give him Sufficient reasons to the Contrary.

Our President has Discoursed Coja Zachary concerning the Rarities &c^a^. and his bringing them down to Hugly who answers that the Season is now Spent and he cannot go from hence till he receives further orders from the King of Pegu, but he shall allways rather Choose to go to Court by the way of Hugly with Zoody Cawns recommendation than to take his Journey through this Country he has two Pegu Embassadors with him and a large retinue the Kings Answere may probaly be expected in Aprill which will be a very proper season for their Coming down to the Bay we shall be very glad of Frequent oppertunities to Oblige Zoody Cawn our old Friend and benefactor and tis his own fault that the Cossids did not make more Dispatch to Arrive here sooner before the Season was Spent.

We Observe your Orders for advancing more Mony when the Five Thousand Rupees are Expended and for what we disburst shall charge your Factory therewith and send you bills upon Zoody Cawn.

We deferr an Answere to your Paragraph Concerning the Rupees till the Ships are sailed for Europe when we shall have more leisure we have as yet no News of the President and fear she will Arrive so late y^t^. we shall not be able to unlade and lade her again for the West Coast before the Monsoon comes on, we expected she would have been clear of your River in August.

We observe what you say concerning the Present for King Shawallum and have received by the Success what we hear Coja Seraad has been pleased to judge not propper for the Mogulls Court and we are Obliged since so many ill natured things have been said on this Subject to let you know that this Present was proceeded in a hurry to have been sent up to the Court when King Shawallum was Drawing near Golconda and most of the particulars were according to a list sent us by Zoody Cawn in which are demanded severall of the Things which you have returned and for the whole we had the opinion of Auga Pera who has spent severall Years in the Mogulls Court and whose Veracity might be depended on as well as Coja Seraads according to the opinion you Gentlemen had of him when our President was last in Bengall.

The Carpets D. E. F. and G. were thought by Competant judges amongst the Armenians to be as good of the Sort as had been seen of a more than Ordinary Size and not always to be had for Mony we shall be very glad if you can procure the [sa]me sort so much better and Cheaper, but cannot Comprehend which can make it appear the Companys Intrest to send these back to be sold here unless you expected the People that sold them would be so good naturred to take them back again at the same Price.

The Gold Bowl was designed to be filled with The Ambergrease and was thought one of the most acceptable article in all the Present.

We have procured what we could find in the place of the Articles you Demand, and have spared you all the Scarlet and embossed Cloth we can and have laden the whole upon the Mermaid in M^r^. Jacksons charge the Invoice and Bill of lading comes inclosed and we have agreed to pay one ℔ Cent ffreight upon Invoice in which M^r^. Jackson having been very reasonable Considring there was no other Conveyance we hope he will have your favour as farr as Consists with the Intrest of our Honble. Employers.

The parcells of the present Marked T : P : not Invoiced are what Govr. Pitt sent ℔'tecularly to Zoody Cawn on his own Account which is the reason they were not charged.

We agree with you that it is a great Affair you have in hand and fear it has been delayed too long the troubles we had to get that part Shipped off which was at Metchlepatam sufficiently show that some considerable persons at Court was Working to hinder Zoody Cawns project and we are well assured it was no less man than Zulphacar Cawn our Presid^t^. since his Arrivall finding that he might be disobliged has wrote him a very respectfull letter wherein he has endeavour to excuse the not sending the Present thrô his hand because of the insuparable Difficulties we must have met with this great mans Displeasure would be of the last ill Consequence to us he having the Supream direction of all this Country and we know that a good part of the Present was particularly designed for him.

What we had to desire in the phirmaund was a Confirmation of all our priviledges according to Sallabad and some few particular matters as ℔ Inclosed Copy of a Lettr. wrote by Governr. Pitt to Zoody to all which we should be very glad if our title to the Villages of Tevenapatam granted by Zulphacur Cawn could be Confirmed that we may have no more of these Chargeable disputes with Surop Sing or any future Governr. of Chingee we pray God to bless your endeavours in this business on which the future prosperity of our Masters Affairs does in great measure depend.

We are very sorry to hear of the Troubles Mr. Hedges meet at Cassimbuzzar which plainly domonstrate the Absolute necessity of something being done at Court to procure us better terms for the future and to Curb the insolence of these insatiable Monsters we have do with.

We take notice of your designe to keep Sloops Cruizing in Ballasore and shall acquaint all Captains bound your way with the Signall they are to make.

We have recd. John Bailee and if we can not find power to Hang him, as he richly Deserves we will take care to keep him from doing further Mischeif.

We hope by this time the Darby is Arrived with you we have no news of the Jane but expect her every day.

The Merchants of this place have bought the Oxford of the French and the great Dutch Prize is bound to Moco to look for his Companion.

We desire you will write home to the Company for a Chaplain or Two if you have need of them, our two Gentlemen have business enough here and at ffort St. David and Mr. Lewis designs home next Season.

We shall write Mr. Hastings to acquaint yo. what packing Stuff he Annually wants, and desire that you will supply him with the same by any Conveyance from your place We are.

Sr.
Your Humble. Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOR. THE 9 : 1711.

EDWARD HARRISON.
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HENRY DAVENPORT.
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EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

P.S.
The Redwood sent down upon the Bouverie in the Month of August 1710 being Candy Five Hundred Twenty Four Charged to yo. at Pagodas 2 : 6 : 10 ℔ Candy is Pagodas five Hundred and Ten and Eight Fanams and what you returned by ditto Ship in the Month of February being Candy one Hundred and Thirteen Eight Maund is charged to us at Two Rupees ℔ Maund wch. comes out at Pagodas, Three and Twenty Six Fanams ℔ Candy which occasions a difference in the Account of Redwood here and it makes appear to be loss thereon upon the close of our Books so that we desire for the future what passes between this place and you may be Charged at one rate.

N°. 106.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of
The Right Honble. United English East India Company
and Govern^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Council.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

This is to advise you that by this Ship Cossid are returned and that there is no ffreight paid for what laden aboard which you are desired to Comply with and am ordered to acquaint you with the same.

By order of the Honble. Govern^r^.
and Councill.
Joseph Smart
Sec^ry^.

N°. 107.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Councill.

S^rs^.

We are glad to hear so many of our Vessells are safe Arrived and shall enquire into the mistake of the Flints we have received the Prisoners and shall endeavour to punish them according to their Deserts.

We observe what you write concerning the Two Prizes and have taken all necessary measures for the preservation of our expected Ships.

We approve of your employing the Mary Yatch to bring us bales because she is a prime Saylor and we begin now to wonder she is not here for we are very impatient to send the Hallifax away.

We would have you be continually on the watch for fear the Enemy should be upon you their Treacherous principles are not to be trusted and by what our President has informed us their demands are too unreasonable ever to be consented too.

Being advised from severall hands that Surop Sing insists upon preparation being made by us for burning his Villages and Distroying his crop of Grain upon the Ground for this reason it has put us on enquiry by whom order these ravager were committed and we cannot yet find any power given from hence to the late Deputy Govern^r^. and Council either for Commencing a Warr or for Plundring the Country wherefore we order immediate enquiry to be made into the truth of this Affair and do farther Require that you send us forthwith attested Copys of what orders and directions the late Deputy Govern^r^. & Councill of your place Rec^d^. from this Government to warrant what they have done.

We likewise Require Copys of what orders the Commanding Officers have had from time to time when they went out upon these Expeditions.

We have Overlooked all the Consultations and letters here and Cannot find any Sufficient orders given either for Commencing the Warr or for Pillaging and Distroying the Walldore Country and burning their Villages all that Appears to us is an Approbation of the Design that was laid at your Place for an Ambuscaude to make Reprizall by Seizing some of the great Men at Chingee.

We wait for the Bales you promised to Dispatch the Hallifax and are

S^r^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants.

Fort S^t^. George
October the 11 : 1711.

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Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 108.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Councill.

S^rs^.

This is to acquaint you that we have just now Rec^d^. yours designed hither ℔ Cattamaran but meeting with little Wind the Peons went aShoar this side Conimeer and came the Rest of the way by land which I am Ordred to acquaint you with.

Signed by order of the Govern^r^. and Council.

Joseph Smart
Sec^ry^.

N°. 109.

To the Worsh^ll^. Anthony Ettrick Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of York Fort &c^a^. Councill.

The forgoing is a Coppy of what we wrote you by the Elizabeth Gally when sent by her Four Hundred baggs of Salt Petre and thirty Candy of Redwood.

This comes by our Vessell Rising Sun with more Salt Petre and Redwood as ℔ Inclosed Invoice and Bill Lading and in few Days we shall send you a further supply sufficient for this season, and if you had let us know your wants we could have sent you other things by the same Conveyance.

If you are in any distress for want of Supplies from Batavia we permit you to employ this Vessell thither One Trip but let it be done with all expedition for the Companys Account and not for private Persons She is a heavy Saylor and not fitt to work up and down your Coast but now the Monsoon falles well for at a Trip to Batavia and we would have you be sure to Contrive so that she may Return here in May or June at Furthest.

We shall enlarge further by the Oxford that will follow in few Days and are

Fort S^t^. George
Octo^r^. 17 : 1711

S^r^.
Your Hum^ble^. Serv^ts^.

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N°. 110.

To Moses Wilkins
Master of the Rising Sun Brigganteen.

Upon Receipt hereof you are ordred to Repair on Board your Ship and with the first Oppertunity of Wind and Weather to Weigh Anchor set sail and make the best of your way for your most speedy attaining the Port of Bencoolen where when Arrived you are to Deliver our Pacquet herewith delivered y^o^. as Directed to the Worsh^ll^. Anthony Ettrick Esqr. Deputy Govern^r^. of York Fort &c^a^. Councill for Affairs of the

R^{t}. Honble. United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies whose orders you are to follow for your future Disposall Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 17 Day of Octob^{r}. 1711.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 111.

TO FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF &C^{A}. COUNCILL AT VIZAGAP^{M}.

Yesterday we dispatched the Hallifax and Success for Great Brittain and now have time to reply to yours of the 4th. 16th. 21st. and 22^{d}. Septem^{r}.

We are glad the Ten Thousand Pagodas came safe to your Hands but think that instead of saying in your Lett^{r}. Rec^{d} Ten Baggs Sealed send to Quantity Ten Thousand Pagodas you might have found time to have told the Mony out and have been at a Certainty.

Your say the Rising Sun was Carried over the Barr the 3: of Septem^{r}. which makes us wonder She was not sooner dispatched we have been forced by her late Arrivall to keep the Stript Beteleas here for want of time to wash them which has hindred the Dispatch of the Hallifax some Days.

We hope you will not find the Nabob so very hard to Deal with as to make him another Present because if our Masters must be at these unreasonable Expences you may very speedily prepare to withdraw it will be very hard to pay Town Mony when we were beseiged and the same Towns Ravaged by their Army.

Our Rising Sun Arrived here the 3: October and had been here sooner had the master kept the land aboard instead of paying away large to the Southward pray observe to give cautions against the like for the future.

The One Hundred and Thirty Bales mention['d] in your Lett^{r}. of the 16 Septem^{r}. by the said Vessell we had received no more than One Hundred and Three which [M^{r}.] Horden says are that were laden such errors ought not [to] Pass and seem to show as if you did not Read before you Sign.

We are glad to here the Merchants assure you of large Quantitys of Cloth because we have a great Dependance on your place to help us in the Dispatch of a December Ship you have not informed us of the Number of Bales you have Contracted for, but this we strenuosly Recommend to you to get all you can, and let [us] hear oftner from you how you proceed, that we may take our measures thereby.

We shall expect some sail cloth if it be to be [. . .] and a good Percell of Long Cloth and Sallampores.

We have received all the Soldiers in good condition and Observe that you give us no Reasons to send home why you detain so many more than Usuall at your place if you are quiet and likely so to continue you must send away more Men to be employed at Fort S^{t}. David for we have had a great Mortality here.

We have Rec^{d}. your Books &c^{a}. which our Accomptant will examine as soon as Possible and than we shall send you Opinion of matters.

We have been necessitated to send the Rising Sun to the West Coast with Petre and Redwood to Kintlage the Ships: and when we came to lade her Deep we found her leeky, and examining into the matter her Wates were Rotten as Dirt, and we have been forced to heell her in the Road and Shift a great many foot of Plank yet

we find a great deal of Mony has been Expended upon her which shows very loose management somewhere and we would be glad to know where the fault is to be laid.

It is impossible to send you Tarpawlins against the Monsoon but as soon as the Season comes you shall be sure to have them, if they were so much wanted why did you not write sooner.

If there was no way to avoid presenting the Rajah with an hundred Pagodas we must be contented.

Mr. Hordens bill for Five Hundred Rupees will be accepted and paid.

And now we have Answered all contained in yours we must advise you that we expect the ship we designed for England will leave the Bay the 20 of Novembr. and be here the 1 of Decemr. and we shall be Ready to give him a timely Dispatch to Reach the Dutch Fleet if you can help us with 150 Bales which will be a great full Article to our Masters and be a means to prevent your Settlement being withdrawn you must provide Vessells timely to bring what bales you have and we Possitively Order that you send away all you can by the 10th. of December at furthest.

That you wash all the long cloth and Sallampores you can and send them well packed in Order to be traversed if we are streightned for time.

That you likewise send all you have brown to help to fill the Ship if we should be put to it.

And we would have you send away the Betellas you have by the 20 of October that we may have time to get them Washed.

The Package of the Bales ℔ Rising Sun was so very Scandalous that it was totally lost to the Company thô it stands roundly charged in your Invoyce your Gunnys were Old Rotten and unserviceable, and Match instead of Ropes.

We direct that you write Annually to the President and Councill on the Bay, an Account of what Packing Stuff you want and we wrote to them to Supply you by the Easiest and Cheapest Conveyance.

We shall send a Cossid in few Dayes that will pass your place when you may write for What yo. want as before directed, and it will be with you in February or March.

We have yet no answer to ours of which we now send Copys; we must recommend ffrugality to you and Desire that you Encourage you Merchants all you can to undertake considerably for the next Year.

We have got Baily that deserted from you and are Contriving to hang him if we can. We wish you health and Success and

Sr.
Your Humble. Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
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P.S.

We have thought of laying Tappy Peons between this Place and Yours and have writ to Bengall for them to do the same from Ballasore as long as the Warr lasts, we would know of you what the expence will be from your Place to Metchlepatam how many Stages, and in what time the Lettr. will be carryed, also tell us the Difference there will be between Patamar and Tappys.

N°. 112.

To Robert Raworth Esq^R^.

Deputy Govern^R^. of Fort S^T^. David &c^A^. Council.

S^r^.

Yours of the 13th. Instant came to hand the 16th. The Hallifax and Success sailed hence the 18th. in the morning, after we had with much to do compleated their lading tho none of your Fort S^t^. Bales are yet arrived.

We have Shipped on Board the Sarah and Hester Twelve Bales of Broad, where of two are fine Scarlets and Ten Common Re[dds], Rose water and Beeswax as ℘ Inclosed Invoice and bill of Loading, we would have kept them to come by own Vessell but are not sure she will get up now the N°. E^t^. Winds are set in.

In your list you demand four bales of fine cloth Viz^t^. One Scarlet One Bowdye one Crimson which are but three and having no Bowdye nor Crimson we have sent all we can spare of Scarlet which is two Bales for we have sent the Remander to Bengall to make up the Present, we have no blew Perpetuanoes nor cloth for Caps and facing as you Desire.

When M^r^. Berlu explains what he means by severall sorts of Toys, we shall know what to send him for their are abundance of things Comprehended under that Denomination which might be very improper for the use you intend them.

The Article of Two Candy of Beeswax for Candles is very surprizing considering we sent you a Candy Six Weeks ago which is as much as is spent here for that use in Twelve which Article we desire M^r^. Raworth will enquire into, and wee can but fancy that M^r^. Berlu was in want of an Article to fit up his list, however we have sent the Quantity Demanded hoping if you do not expend it that it will be sold to the best advantage.

Your books sent in hast for Europe without bringing them into our Generall Books here, we desire you will with all speed send us the Second set as usuall that we may ballance our books Ready to be sent by the December Ship.

We approve of your sending away the Vessell to Porto Novo to fetch away the Cloth, thô, we have been Disappointed as to the Hallifax and we desire you will use your utmost endeavours to get what cloth you can in, because we are determined to Dispatch the Avarilla in December.

We are willing to beleive their may be something in M^r^. Berlus Apology thô, when so new a thing was to be done as Changing the marke and notes of the bales we think black fellows ought not have been trusted in the Warehouse, and it is a jest to think the Cloth could be chang'd in the Boats, we should Rather beleive that after the fatteague of sorting his Eyes might fail him.

We are of opinion that you had better be above board with your musters, and let them go Number'd 1 and 2 as they were sent down from thence as for sending you Musters, of well washed Cloth as you desire we cannot do it at present not having any by us that is so good as the Musters, but methinks you may wash your own Muster very well which will be the same thing.

We are glad to hear that upon Comparing Your Merchants Cloth with ours there was so little Difference thô at the same time we must tell you that Comparing it before it is Sorted it is no manner of Signification for we do not find fault with the Merchants for bringing in bad Cloth, but with the Sorters for taking it by a wrong Muster.

Just now the S^t^. David brigganteen is Arrived by whom Rec^d^. your Generall Books, we shall unlade her and send her immediately back. We are

Fort S^T^. George
October the 19, 1711.

S^rs^
Your Hum^ble^. Servants
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Richard Hunt.

No. 113.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Councill.

Srs.

We acquainted you in Ours ℘ Ship Essex of the Arrivall of Brigganteen St. David by whom Recd. the 30 Bales according to Invoice, We have laden on the Essex Broad Cloth Rose Water and Beesewax, which we hope'ere this Reaches your Hands will be with the Season being late thought it not proper to detain the Vessell.

Signed by Order of the Governr. and Councill
Joseph Smart
Secry.

No. 114.

To Simon Cows Esqr.
Cheif &ca. Councill At Anjengo.

Srs.

We have in vain waitted hitherto for an Answer to ours of the 24th. July which is near Three Months and are fearfull some Accidents may have happened to our Peons wch. makes us send this Copy of our former, beleiving by this time the Europe Ships must be arrived on your Coast, because we have advices that they sailed from England the latter end of Aprill Vizt. the Mountague Litchfield and Heathcote, and we heartily wish them well clear of The Two French Ships bound to Moco that we know could not get into the Gulph but were forced to Winter at Socatora.

We cannot but take it a little unkindly that whn. you have any news from India Persia or Moco Maco you will not immediately communicate it to us, for which we shall very gladly pay the charges. We are now Obliged to the French that have frequent advices from Callicut for news of our Ships at Moco; and the motions of the Enemys Ships wch. would come with a much better Grace from our Own Factorys.

We have Dispatched the Bouverie Hallifax and Success for England and intend to send away the Avarrilla in December.

The 23 of September arrived at Ponticherry Two French Prizes whereof One great Dutch Ship was taken Outward bound off Cape Good Hope by the Two Moco Ships, and the other an English Seperate Stock Ship called the Oxford, was taken by the Dutch Prize coming Round Ceylon; and these are all the Tidings of the French in these parts this Season; We are.

Fort St. George,
October the 20; 1711.

Sr.
Your Humble. Servants

Edward Harrison.
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Henry Davenport.
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Richard Hunt.

No. 115.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Councill.

Srs.

Yesterday Arrived the Madapollam Yatch by which Recd. Thirty Six bales of long Cloth brown we are now busie in Dispatching the President and Oxford the former for Bengall the latter for the West Coast wch. is the needfull at Present.

Fort St. George
Octo . 22D. 1711.

Signed by order of the Governr. and Councill.
Joseph Smart
Secry.

N°. 116.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of the R^t^. Honble. United English E^t^. India Company and Govern^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Councill.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Our last was ℔ the Mermaid who Sayl'd the 10 Instant of which we send a Copy herewith we hope she is well Arrived with you, and has delivered what we sent to be added to the Present as by the inclosed Invoice.

This comes by Ship President that did not Arrive here before the 16 instant, we have unladen her as expeditiously as we could and sent her back desiring you would lade her according to the inclosed List without loss of time so that she may not fail to get out of the bay before the Monsoon Changes and send her back hither.

We have sent you Thirty Candy of Iron which is all we can conveniently Spare at present, as also Twenty New Butts and Sixteen Hogg heads to Secure the Salt Provisions we would have got all Hogsheads and puncheons if she had been procurable, the Butts are too bigg for the use designed and if you cannot get them Changed amongst the Europe Capt. you must be forced to Crop them into Puncheons, [as] for Pegu Jarrs we have none but are told that M^r^. Hoat left a great Quantity in Bengall, we have sent you a Cask of White lead which is all we can Spare, if you [can] receive a Quantity by the Darby as we do not Doubt but you will we desire you would Return this again because we shall want it.

We observe what you say concerning the Tonnage you shall be able to procure for Europe that unless you make an Addition of Salt Petre you shall not be able to Dispatch them because of the Troubles you are likely to meet with it is to be hoped the Cap^ts^. themselves will never be so imprudent as to Venter to Sea with only their Charter Party Kintelage, both the Bouverie and Hallifax hath thought themselves Obliged for Safties sake to Request Double the Quantity, and no Doubt but at half Freight salt Petre is as good Tonnage as many other Goods and much better than Rawsilk, some of the Ships with you we know to be Crank enough and hope that Article will Ease you at least One Hundred and Fifty Ton in the whole, so that you will be able to send home all the Ships you intend which according to what our Honble. Masters Write us will be more agreeable to them than letting their Ships in the Country.

If we had any incouragement from you up on the Arrivall of this Years Shipping, we would have sent you a considerable part of our Broad Cloth, but we have Disposed of our whole Quantity at the usuall Rate of 55 ℔ Cent upon Invoice before the Receipt of you Lett^r^. What we have sent down for the Mogulls Present is all fine Red and we never have any Greens but what are Course we know you will have a large Quantity of Cloth & Iron ℔ the Darby and would have still much more broad cloth from England if the Company thought you could Vend it even to Ten ℔ Cent advantage for the Substance of their standing order to us is to demand as much manifacture as we can Possible vend at a small proffit without Glutting the Market, their Main intent being to promote the exportation of the Manifactures to ingratiate themselves with the House of Commons, and wipe of the old aspersion usually cast upon the East India Trade that it Carrys all the Mony out of the Nation for which Reason we have now Demanded Eight Hundred Bales for the use of the Coast, which we advise you of that you may take your measures accordingly, for we cannot Doubt but your Orders are pretty much the same as Ours in Relating to this Article of the Manifacture.

We hope you'll consider what we wrote you in our last about laying Tappys from Ballasore to Vizagapatam during the Warr and that you will think it worth while to have a proper persons Reside at Ballasore to forward the Pacquets we have already agreed to our part and Designe to lay them upon the Roads as soon as y^e^. Rains are over and now having Answered what Contained in yours we shall only add that we have in an enclosed letter apart given you a full account of our Ancient priviledges upon this Coast when granted and how Confirmed of which we shall dispatch you Copys in a Day or Two by land which considering the Season we may expect will Reach you before this.

If you have a good Crop this year as we heartily wish we desire all manner of encouragement may be given for supplying us, we have hitherto had no Rains which Makes paddy at Present very Dear and Scarce among us, and if the Dry Weather continues we are in a great Danger of a Famine.

On the 18 Instant Ships Hallifax and Success sailed for Europe the former with a Cargo Amounting to Ninty Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety Two Pagodas Twenty One Fanams and one Cash which pray God may arrive safe with our Honble. Masters We have not further but are.

Fort S^{r}. George
Octo^{r}. the 23^{d}. 1711.

Honble. S^{r}. &c^{a}.
Your very Humble Servants.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

P.S.
Since we are disappointed of the Dolben's going to Batt^{a}. we have provided Bencoolen wth. Salt Petre another way from hence.

J. Smart.
E.H.E.B.
T.F.W.I.
H.D B.B.
W.M.W.W.
R.H.

List of the Pacquet to Bengall ℘ Ship President.

No. 1 Generall Lett^{r}. dated 23^{d}. Octo^{r}. 1711.

2 Invoice of Ship President.

3 Bill of Loading offer'd the Iron.

4 Copy of a Generall Lett^{r}. sent ℘ Ship Mermaid dated 9th. Octo^{r}. 1711.

5 An Account of our first Settlement in Fort S^{t}. George

6 Copy of a Lett^{r}. to Zoody Cawn sent in August 1708.

7 Copy of the Highness the Olamperna's Phirmaund and Cowl to S^{r}. William Langhorn Barronett Dated Feb^{ry}. 3^{d}. 1676.

8 Translate of a Phirmaund from Nabob Assid Cawn to the Honble. Ettrick Yale.

9 Translate of a Dustock from Nabob Assid Cawn directed to the Phousdars Govern^{rs}. &c^{a}.

10 Translate of the Nishan of Prince Sultan Mahomud Cawn Bux to the Honble. Elishu Yale Govern^{r}. &c^{a}.

11 Translate of the King of Golcondahs Generall Phirmaund to the English Nation dated Decem^{r}. 19th. 1674.

12 Copy of the Nabob Yecknam Cawns Cowl to the Honble. S^{r}. William Langhorn Barr^{t}. dated Febr^{ry}. 23 167$\frac{1}{2}$.

13 Copy of a Cowl given by Musa Cawn to S^{r}. William Langhorn Barr^{t}. dated Aprill 13 : 1676.

No. 14 Translate of a Cowl given by Sheerango Rayloe to agent [Jore] Dated Novem^r^. 15 : 1643.

15 Govr. Pitts lett^r^. to Zoody Cawn Dated 5th January 1708.

16 Invoice of Ship Mermaid.

17 List of a Cargo to be put on board Ship President.

18 The Cap^ts^. receipt for white Lead.

19 List of the Pacquet.

No. 117.

To Captain John Freeman
Commander of Ship President.

Upon receipt hereof you are ordered to Repair on board your Ship and with the first oppertunity of Wind and Weather to Weigh Anchor set Sail and make the best of your Way for your most speedy Attaining the Port of Bengall where when Arrived you are to deliver our Pacquet herewith d^d^. you as Directed to the Honble. John Russell Esqr. President of Bengall for Affairs of the R^t^. Honble. United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies &c^a^. Councill whose Orders you are to follow for your future Disposall dated in Fort S^t^. George this 28 Day of Octo^r^. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

An Account of our First Settlement att Fort S^T^. George with the Severall Priviledges granted Us from time to time att this and other Places upon the Coast of Choromandell.

Anno 1643 Agent [Jore] left Armagon to Settle in this Place having a Cowl from Serango Raylo Jentue King of this Country impowering us to build a Fort and Bullworks to import and export Custom free only paying half the Town Custom to the Duan, the other half to be Reserved to the Company the same Cowl grants us all the Ground belonging to Madrass, and gives full power to Execute Justice to all our own Inhabitants and all others that dwel among us the Govern^r^. of Pulleimale is Strictly forbiden from medling with any of our Inhabitants as are all Juncanneers from Stoping our Provisions In case any of our Ships were Wrecked upon the Coast all goods that were saved to be for our own Account & the said Raja obliges himselfe to protect us in all occasions to the utmost of his power.

Some Years after the Grant of the Aforesaid Cowl Nabob Meer Jumbla having Conquered the Cornatta Country for the King of Golconda Conformed it Word for Word in another Cowl granted by himself·

Anno 1671 S^r^. William Langhorn Agent entred into Articles with the than Nabob Yocknam Cawn to pay a Certain Sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Pagodas Yearly for the Ground Rent of this Place and the Towns depending the Nabob at the same time granted a Cowl [Renting] and Confirming all the Priviledges given us by His Predecessors which Cowl is a recitall of that granted by the Jentue King only somewhat more fully explain'd.

Anno 1672 Muja Cawn succeeded Yacknam Cawn in the Government of the Cornatta Country under the King of Golconda, and Confirmed all the forementioned Priviledges in a new Cowl under his hand and Seal.

In the same Year the King of Golconda granted a Phirmaund to Mohan Cheif of Metchlepatam and to all y^{e}. Rest of the English Nation allowing them to trade Custom free throughout all his Dominions.

Anno 1674 the King of Golconda granted a generall Phirmaund Confirming all our Ancient Priviledges According to Sallabad; and permitting us to build Ships any where on the Sea Coast, and issued out a Husbulhookum to all his great Officers throughout the Kingdome Strictly prohibiting them from Molesting us in our Trade by exacting Custom or Juncan Mony in any of the Ports or Places in his Country.

Anno 1676 the King of Golconda granted a general Phirmaund to S^{r}. William Langhorn Confirming all our former Priviledges in a very Ample manner with an Addition of severall new Articles as you will see in the Copy sent herewith we have likewise added the Copys of the foregoing Phirmaunds and Cowls for your perusall.

This is all we have Remaining upon Record during the reign of the King of Golconda and it is very Strang y^{t}. we have a better Account upon our Books of what was transacted so long ago, than of what has done these late Day is however we shall proceed to give y^{o}. as good an Account as we can pick out of Abundance of Books and papers which we have been Obliged to go through upon this Occasion of what has been done since S^{r}. William Langhorn [*a few words lost*] During the Government of Agent Masters and President Gyfford we find nothing new except the settling some small Factorys to the Southward as Conimere Cuddalore and Porto Novo under the Raja of Chingee which Places being since withdrawn except Cuddalore of which we shall speak hereafter, there will be no occasion to say any thing of them.

We remained in Peaceable possession of our Priviledges till the Mogull came into these parts to the Conquest of Golconda and Visapore when M^{r}. Elihu Yale and his Councill thought it necessary to send an Armenian One Ovannes to Reside in the Mogulls Camp as their Vakeel to treat for a Phirmaund which was in the year 1688.

This Vakeel wrote word that he had brought matters very near to a Conclusion when at the same time Letters were sent from the Camp, that Generall Child at Bombay had made a Peace with Moores, and was to have a generall Phirmaund from the Mogull in which this Place and Bengall were to be included which put a full stop to w^{ht}. Govern^{r}. Yale was than doing.

And the Vakeel was ordred to distribute no more mony till further orders.

All that we can find of this Phirmaund upon our Books, is a very slight Paper Containing nothing materiall to the Purpose.

The next steps that were made towards getting a Phirmaund were in the Year 1692 by M^{r}. Yale when Cawn Bux Assid Cawn, and Zulphakur Cawn were at Chingee when Messrs. Trenchfield and Pitt were sent from this Place to wait upon them with a Considerable Present upon which they obtained liberty for our Mint with a Nashawn from y^{e}. Prince, a Phirwanna and Dustrick from Assid Cawn of which we send you Copys and you may observe that a Phirmaund is therein promised but has never been Complyed with.

Another Essay was made in M^{r}. Higginsons time Anno 1695 to procure a Phirmaund when Zulphacur Cawn was with a Camp in these parts employed in the Conquest of Ellore but all that M^{r}. Higginson could procure was Parwannas to Confirm our Priviledges According to Sallabad and so this matter has Rested from that time to this and we have been pritty easie only upon Alteration of Government the Great Men have been allways troublesome and exacting of Mony we have now given you a full account that has ever been done for securing our Priviledges in this Settlement.

Fort S^{t}. David and Cuddalore was granted us in 1688 by Ram Raz Raja of Chingee and when Zulphakur Cawn Conquered that City he was pleased to Confirm the grant of that and the depending Villages.

Vizagapatam was granted us by Nabob Seer Lascarr in y^{e}. King of Golconda's time Anno 1682 or thereabouts which we have enjoyed ever since but never without great troubles from the Nabobs that Govern the Carlingo Country.

No. 118.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of the
R^t^. Honble. United English East India Company
and Govern^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Councill.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.

Having acquainted you with all our Circumstances we come next to offer our Opinion, what we think will be best to procure for us in the Generall Phirmaund.

If we should desend to insist upon many particulars we advised that it will be a Hinderance to the Affair in Generall and may make them demand a much larger sum than it may be you are empowered to part with.

Wherefore we choose to have it in generall Terms that is to say a Confirmation of our Ancient Priviledges granted by the Jentue Kings of this Country Renewed by the King of Golconda since his time by severall Nabobs, and lastly by Assid Cawn his Son Zulphakur Cawn and the Prince Cawn Bucks.

What few particulars we desire were sent you in our former. However we now send a Copy of the same Requesting that Particular care be taken to confirm the grant of Fort S^t^. David and Tavenapatam so that we may have no more plague with Serrop Sing Raja of Chingee who disputes our Title to the Villages notwithstanding the grant Zulphakur Cawn.

And if we are so happy to have the Generall Phirmaund tho' some of the particulars in Govern^r^. Pitts Letter to Zoody Cawns should be Omitted we should think the Present very bestowed if it amounted to double the Value of what it went from hence.

The greatest danger is of their deluding us According to their Old Custom with Vests Horses and a peace of Fine Paper so doubtfully and intricately Penned that it be of no great Signification, but that undoubtedly will be taken care off by those whom you think fitt to employ in this important affair.

We most Sincerely wish you Success in the undertaking and that you may have the Sole Honour of Accomplishing what so many able experienced persons have attempted in Vain.

We ought never to dispair of Succeeding when we consider the many fruitless endeavours to Unite England and Scotland in former reigns and how soon at last it was brought to perfection in this reign by willing Hearts and minds. We are.

Fort S^t^. George
Octo^r^. the 23 : 1711

S^r^.
Your very hum^ble^. Servants

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To Robert Raworth Esqr.

Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Councill.

The Secretary had wrote a short Lett^r^. dated the 22^d^. Instant for dispatching the Maddapollam Yatch which had arrived with you ere this but She was detain'd by the Lasscarrs.

The bad weather daily expected Obliges us to order that on her Arrivall she be hawled into the River and Sufficiently secured against the approaching Monsoon which I am ordred to acquaint you with.

By order of the Govern^r^. and Councill.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
OCTOB^R^. 24 : 1711.

JOSEPH SMART
Sec^ry^.

N°. 120.

TO THE WORSP^LL^. ANTHONY ETTRICK ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERN^R^. OF YORK FORT &C^A^. COUNCILL.

The foregoing was wrote by the Rising Sun and now we send you the Oxford with Salt Petre Redwood &c^a^. as by the inclosed invoice and bill of Lading & also Ten Candy of Powder as ℘ Receipt Ship'd since the bill of Lading was Signed.

We would have you unlade this Ship as soon as possible that She may proceed on her intended Voyage without loss of time and now we hope you have Sufficient Kintlage for this Years Ships.

We Require of you for the future to send us Yearly your Acco^t^. of Remains and what Stores of all sorts you shall want for One whole Year that we may supply you at Once and at the best hand.

We have no news of the Jane since our last but expect her Daily when you will here full Instructions for your future Conduct. We are

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
OCTOBER 25TH. 1711.

S^rs^.
Your very Hum^ble^. Servants
EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE
RICHARD HUNT.

P.S.

We have sent you ten Bales of Gurrahs to be disposed of for our Honble. Masters Account the Ships gone to Europe having Cleared us of all other goods.

WORSP^LL^. SIR &C^A^.

There is a mistake in the Storekeepers Receipt inclosed in the Pacquet which mentions Forty Barrels of Gunpowder shipt on Board the Oxford but in Reality there is no more than Twenty which I am ordred to acquaint you with.

JOSEPH SMART
Sec^ry^.

No. 121.

To Mr. Phillip Noden
Att Metchlepatam.

Sr.

Yours of the 17 Septemr. came to hand the 3d. Instant, but as yet no Senr. Correa Arrived with the Tents, which we gave over in a manner for lost, there being no news of him since his first departure from you.

We observe you write Sudar Cawn Suba of Brand is made Suba of Golconda and that Habbit Cawn has orders for the Government of Metchlepatam and Pettipole &ca. places adjacent, which hope will soon put an End to your troubles.

The Twelve Rupees you lent Gangram &ca. Peons shall be deducted out of their Wages here.

We have hitherto had no Rain which Occasions the Rise of Paddy, and whereas we are informed from your parts that there has been a quantity so that a great Crop may be expected, we Recommend it Earnestly to you that you will use your Endeavours to send us all the grain you can as soon as the danger of the Monsoon is over We are.

Fort St. George
Octobr. the 25th. 1711.

Sr.
Your Humble. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
Richard Hunt.

No. 122.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of the
Rt. Honble. United English Et. India Company
and Governr. of Fort William &ca. Council.

Honble Sr. &ca.

We dispatched the foregoing by the Ship President but hope this will Reach you sooner having selected out very good Peons for the purpose.

We desire the Presidents Cargo may be got Ready to put aboard immediately on her Arrivall Least she should be catched with the Monsoon in the River & not be able to get out which would be a great Disapointment to us and to the West Coast Affairs.

We must desire you to loose no oppertunity of sending us Salt Petre for now we have been forced to Supply the West Coast with such a quantity that our stock here grows low and we have now only enough for an Octobr. Ship next Season.

We have nothing new to add but wishing you health and Success remain.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

LIST OF THE PACQUET.

N°. 1 Fort S^{t}. George Generall Lett^{r}. Dated 23 Octob^{r}. & 26 D°.
2 Copy of Ship Presidents Invoice.
3 Translate of a Cowl granted to Agent Jore.
4 Copy of a Cowl given by Yacknam Cawn to S^{r}. Willm. Langhorn.
5 Copy of a Grant from Meja Cawn to D°.
6 Translate of the King of Goloonda Generall Phirmaund.
7 Translate of Phirmaund granted by his Highness the Olampany to S^{r}. William Langhorne.
8 Copy of a Letter to Zoodee Cawn dated August 13th: 1708
9 Copy of a Letter to Zoodee Cawn dated January 5: 1708.
10 List of the Pacquet.

N°. 123.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERN^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{A}. COUNCILL.

By the Mussoola we send you Six Peons with each a Girdle of 1000 Pag^{s}. had we known your wants sooner we could with ease have supplyed you and would not have Run this Risque now were we not in some fear, that your want of Mony at this Juncture might be attended with very ill Consequences.

We are in daily Expectation that your Merchants will send to Receive their Cloth in stead of Mony if they had not Pressed so hard for it half had before now being gone into the Country.

We send by this Same Conveyance as many of the things you write for as are to be procured here & have covered them well with Tarpawlins to secure ['em] from the weather which is all at Present from.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
OCTO^{R}. 27: 1711.

S^{R}.
Your hum^{ble}. Servant.

EDWARD HARRISON.

N°. 124.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERN^{R}. OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID &C^{A}. COUNCILL.

S^{RS}.

Yours of the 25 Octo^{r}. came to our hands the 28 Ditto since when we have Received another dated y^{e}. 1st. Instant which came to hand the 3: to which we shall Reply as briefly as possible having more materiall upon our hands.

We observe your news from Trincombarr but beleive the Deans were mistaken in the Ship, because we have advises of a great Dutch Ship from Metchlepatam that missed Ceylon and fell down thither were they Victualled and watred and sayled for Ceylon in Octo^{r}. and this in all probility might by the Ship that was seen of Trincombarr.

We cannot at Present make any Answer to Y^{t} Part of your Letter Relating to the management of your Present Warr, having appointed a Comittee to inspect into, and Compare your Letters with ours and have not yet Arrived their Report but this we may venture to say that we have not as yet been Able to find that either M^{r} ffarmer Singly or the Deputy Govern^{r}. and Councill were ever intrusted from hence with a discretionary power thô such thing is mention'd in a Lett^{r}. dated June 14 to have been granted when Capt. Roach was sent Down so that it must be a mistake in the than Govern^{r}. who penned the Letter and possibly might Refer to some such power granted in a private Letter by himself which we fear will not be thought a Sufficient Warrant for the many unaccountable depredations Committed upon the Enemys Country.

Our Storekeeper was under a mistake when he acquanted us that a Candy of Beeswax had been sent you in Aug[t]. it was Ready Weighed off but not sent we do no doubt your Frugality which is so absolutely necessary at all times but more especially now when your Settlement costs our Hon[ble]. Masters such an unusuall Sum̃ of Mony.

We are overjoy'd to hear the forwardness yor. Merchants are in and desire the Cloth may be sorted at Leisure that they may be no necessity to hurry when the Ship Comes to you and as to the Article of well Washed musters we will endeavour to send them by the first Oppertunity, thô we cannot but be of Opinion that any Man of Experience is a good judge whether a p[s]. of Cloth be washed well or no without having another p[s]. to Compare it with which is just our case here as M[r]. Raworth knows very well for our Musters have not washed in many Years.

We observe that Roads are now open and we generally have our Letters in 40 Hours at most.

Your Secretary is a little too Careless in his Writing as will appear in the first line of your last dated Nov[r]. 1st. where there is a blank left for the date of the foregoing.

Our hurry of business is not so great as to make us forget that in yours of the 7th. Septem[r]. you told us you had but Six Thousand Pagodas in Cash and that whenever y[e]. Merchants brought in their Cloth if they were not supplyed with Mony they would fail in their part and that you will draw upon us, as Customary by all oppertunityes that Offer'd.

We must likewise put you in mind that this lett[r]. was wrote before your Merchants had agreed for the broad cloth which was done in very few Days after and we cannot but think that our answer in the following Paragraph of our Lett[r]. dated Septem[r]. 12 justifies us in what we Averred.

We know not how to Supply you with Mony by Sea now the French are daily expected nor can we as you well know do any thing by land without too great a Hazard of loosing it so that we must wait till the Monsoon favours us and in the meantime impower you to draw whenever you can find an oppertunity but if you Merchants take the broad Cloth it will very near pay for the Investment to which we wait your Answer.

Few days after we wrote this the French prizes Arrived which we Suppose may justifie us for sending you Mony by Sea in the next place we have daily expected you would draw upon us as you had occasion for your Garrison which we find is not impracticable by the bill of Five Thousand Pagodas now come to Hand as for y[r]. Merchants we must own we never expected that after they had Contracted to Receive the Broad cloth here as they deliver their Goods at Fort S[t]. David which are the very words you write us that they would be so pressing for Mony at this Criticall juncture, when this Month is over we shall not want oppertunities to supply you though at the Rate your Present expence goes all the Cash we now have by us will not be Sufficient till the Arrivall of the next Years Shipping.

How could the Merchants detain the person designed hither to Receive the Broad cloth in Expectation that we would favour them with the perusuall of the Invoice when the Govern[r]. declares that he wrote M[r]. Raworth the Reasons why it was impracticable and he Returned answer that the Merchants were satisfied.

We cannot understand well what Occasion there to encourage their expecting a sight of it, for you know very well we use a Considerable Quantity for this Garrison and for yours, for Presents and particular People, And we have been Obliged to send a large Quantity down to Bengall to Compleat the Present to the Mogull so that we cannot see what use the Invoice would be to them but only to raise Cavils and Disputes, when they Arrive here they will have a sight of it whenever they Please as has been Customary to our Merchants that they may see they are imposed upon in the price M[r]. Raworth Knows what Sortments we have come Yearly from Europe, and there must be some Secret in this Demand of the Invoice, which we are not able to Comprehend.

We are very sorry to see that the Ballance of your Cash is already Reduced to so small a Summ, we shall pay the bill you have drawn on us, and desire that you would send us an Abstract of a Month expence to regulate our selves for the future.

Since necessity requires it we allow you to make Mr. Joseph Paddle an Ensigne and send you a commission herewith.

It gives us a great deal of Concern to find you have such Unstable Wretches to depend upon what ever Pardons you give to deserters, never let them be employed again but keep them under Confinement till you can send them hither we wish you health and Success, and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
NOVEMR. 6TH.1711.

SRS.
Your Humble. Servants.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 125.

TO ROBERT RAWORTH ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVRENR. OF FORT ST. DAVID &CA. COUNCILL.

Sr.

This morning the Governr, has laid before us Mr. Raworths Letter of the 3d. Instant wherein he writes that the Enemy will not come to any agreement unless we Consent to pay Thirty Thousand Chucrums which we take to be Sixteen Thousand Six 100 and Odd Pagodas in Consideration of which they will give the Villages of Trevendeporum, Padry Copango and Corouwe Nuttum besides their ½ of all the Towns that lye part within our hedge and part without, and that they will entirely Renounce all claim to our bounds on any pretence whatsoever.

We have very Seriously Considered the first Article and find it to be so unreasonable a Sum of Mony that we can never consent to pay it on Our Honble. Masters Account.

We cannot Judge if it be worth while to buy the Three Villages before mentioned and the half of the Towns that lye part within and part without our bounds, till you send us a Computation of what they will Yeald Annually, and what Security we can have that we shall Continue in Quiet Possession of them hereafter for we must be of Opinion that we have too much ground already at your Settlement to defend against an Enemy. If Serrop Sing dares dispute a grant Confirmed to us by Cawn Bahaudar, what Value ought we to put upon his Grant (or what else it will call it) who is no more in Comparrison with the other, than his Boxy is to him, and may be not so much ; pray let this matter be urged home, and let us have a Speedy Answer.

An entire Renounciation of Claim to all things within our bounds is a tender point to be handled for his pretending a Claim after Cawn Bahaudar's Grant is an undeniable Reason why we should by no grants of him, since by the same Rule the next Governr. of Chingee may dispute our Title to all we possess, and by the same forcible means may Compell us to pay what Sum he pleases so that our title will all walls be precarious.

We should consent to paying of the Renters debt and if we could have good Security that even he himself and the Rogues about him, would not mollest us in the possession of these grants he Offers, we might thô unwillingly consent to pay a Summ of Mony for them but never the Sum they insist upon since upon the best Account We can get of the Villages here, the ent will be but inconsiderable.

We shall wait your Answer to these materiall Points, and in the meantine desire that the Treaty may go on in the manner we have mentioned, that is to say that the renters Debt be kept apart, and made up by it self, and if we give any thing more that it may be for something you are satisfied will bring in an Equivalent in few years or otherwise we can never consent to buy a peace till we have Orders from England.

We have the management as we did formerly to the Deputy Govern^r^. with the same directions that he lay it before the Board, ere the Agreement is perfected, and are.

S^R^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 126.

To ROBERT RAWORTH ESQ^R^.
DEPUTY GOVERN^R^. OF FORT S^T^. DAVID &C^A^. COUNCILL.

S^RS^.

Just as we had signed the Inclosed and were sending it away yours of the 4 came to hand, which the Govr. communicated to us, and we have stopt the Peons to send you the following Answer.

We are still of the same Opinion for a speedy & Honble. Peace, we agree that Serrop Sing ought to have satisfaction for the Renters Debt, and we should as Readily agree to make M^r^. Roberts pay it, if it was in our power but Since it is not we must by the necessity of Affairs Submit to pay it for him because he was the Companys Govern^r^. and it being allways Customary for the Govern^r^. to Treat Single with the great Men of these Parts, that whatever is Transacted between them they look upon it as from as if done with the Company Themselves we shall apply The Mony we have attached belonging to M^r^. Robert for the payment of this matter as farr as it will go, and shall take care to Debt him for the Remainder.

We think this Article of your Treaty ought to be first Settled, and as to the remaining part of the Sum̃ Demanded, we had much Rather let his precautious Villages alon than have any thing to with them Thô we must Confess Six Thousand Chuckrums ℔ Annum is sufficient Rent for the Sum̃ we are pay.

If you can make good what you write in your Lett^r^. and can have good Security that we shall enjoy the Villages Peaceably, and be unmolested in our Affairs we are Contented that you make a peace upon terms you mention thô we hope you will show your dexterity in procuring an Abatement.

It will behove you to be very Circumspect in the Articles of the Treaty and to part from no Mony for there is not a more ffaithless Wretch upon Earth than the Man you have to deal with we desire that there may be an Article inserted for the Ease and Security of Passangers at Bomipollam which we think is the place were M^r^. Raworth formerly met with so much Trouble in going to Fort S^t^. David.

You will do well to lay those matters now before your Councill, and before you Conclude the Treaty, it will be proper that you protest in form Jointly against M^r^. Roberts as the Auther of all these Troubles and the Person that ought to be Accountable for all the Damages Sustain'd thereby.

As for your Merchants offering to leave the bounds we cannot but think it a great Peice of insolence at such a juncture and since they would seem thereby to necessitate you to a Compliance, it was a very proper time to ask them how much they would Contribute to a Peace, when they made their Contract, they New the Warr was affoot and thô you have not yet sent us a Copy of your Contract, we do not Remember you ever mentioned you had obliged yourselves to buy a Peace.

It is a great Sum of Mony we now Consent to, and should have never have done it upon any terms but Equivolent to Reimburse us. We shall impatiently expect yor. Answer and Remain.

S^rs.
Your Hum^ble. Servants.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 127

TO THE HON^BLE. JOHN RUSSELL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT OF BENGALL FOR AFFAIRS OF
THE R^T. HON^BLE. UNITED ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY
AND GOVERN^R. OF FORT WILLIAM &C^A. COUNCILL.

HON^BLE. S^R. &C^A.

Since we find by Experience that Cossids often Miscar[ry] and are sometimes very dilatory in performing their journey it must needs be adviseable to send One upon the Back of another and as soon as the Rains are done we will be sure to lay the Tappys as farr as Vizagapatam in hopes you will perform your part and meet us ha[lf] Way.

We have nothing new to add as to our priviledges, only desire that the Five Towns granted us by Dowd Cawn and since taking away by this Duan, may be Restored us and that we may have a perpetuall grant of them in the Phirmaund; or at least from Zulphacar Cawn.

We have a Flying Report Here that the Mogull is [. . .] thô no great Dependance to be had upon it should it be true you'll have a Ticklish Card to play in Regard to the Present.

Yesterday Evening we Received Lett^r. from Nagapat^m. advising that by Lett^r. Overland from Callicutt they had Received News of the French Ships bound to Moco being Arrived On that Coast not having been able to get into the Gulph. One has Fifty, [and] other 40 Guns both well manned Off Goa they met and to the Dutchess after an Hours Dispute, in which Capt. Blacon was Commander had the misfortune to loose one of his Arms. They was seen of Callicut the 17: October Standing Directly [. . .] Seawards and gave out that they intended for Ponticherry but we are pritty sure they are bound to Moco when The Season Serves; Pray God keep our Honble. Master and our Own Ships out of their pyraticall Hands, those expected from Europe seem to be in the greatest Danger; our President Writes M^r. Russell particularly about the Ships we are concerned in; there are hopes that the Dutch who are now Sufficiently provok'd, will fall upon the French and beat them off the Coast.

We have nothing Else materiall to advise you but are with Sincerity and truth.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
NOVEM^R. 8TH. 1711.

Honble. S^r. &c^a.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

P. S.
We shall follow this with another in few Days.

N°. 128

TO FRANCIS HASTINGS ESQ^R.
CHEIF &C^A. COUNCILL AT VIZAGAP^M.

S^RS.

Our last was dated the 18 : Ultimo by Cossids and we sent you a Duplicate of the same the 26 by a Cossids bound to Bengall since when we have Received Yours the 7 October that came to Hand the 31 which is very tedious considering that on Occasion we know they have done it heretofore in 12 Days.

We are glad to find Conchum Lingana gives you somuch encouragement to hope for large Quantities of Cloth and Confirm what we wrote in Our last for the Method of your Sending it hither, for we are Resolved to send away the Ship by Christmass Day the Price of Cotton being abated is good news and will undoubtedly add new life to business.

We agree that it behoves you to be very Cautious how you meddle in the Warrs between the Nabob and Rajah, and if you can avoid Supplying the Nabob it is better let alone However if you find there is a necessity for it you must do it privately in the Night and lay it upon the Dutch and at the same time we hope you will get Clear of the Summ he now demands on Account of the Towns.

The lead and Powder you desire shall be sent as soon as the Monsoon will permitt, We have Rec^d. advices that the Two French Ships bound to Moco, were upon the Mallabar Coast the 17 October before Calicutt, and have taken our Masters Ship Dutchess near Goa, Heaven Preserve the rest from them.

Having looked into M^r. ffaucetts Acco^ts. we find nothing due to him worth his Coming hither for, and therefore think it is much better for him to Remain where he is, when we have more thoroughly examined his Acco^ts. he shall hear further from us, it appears at first View to have an Air of Extravigance.

We observed you Picked out all the best Men to keep in your Garrison and that you have a much greater Number than can be allowed to remain with you, therefore we Order that you come to your Usuall Compliment, and send the Remainder hither by the first good oppertunity.

We have had John Baily under Examination who insists that M^r. Hastings gave him leave to go to Metchlepatam and that he went out at noon day from y^e. Garrison and was taken by the Moors and detained in their Camp ꝑ force but never bore Arms, nor assisted them in any Wise against us.

We therefor desire that you send up the manner and time of his desertion, and what dispositions you can get of his being seen in Action, and what else materiall to his Condemnation, with as much Speed as Possible and let all be sworn to.

Send us Duplicates of your Consultation from Novem[r]. 1710 to July 1711, which are sent to England by mistake.

We send our Bengall Letters by these Peons because they have engaged if Possible to see you in 16 Days, if they do give them something extraordinary, if not, turn them out and Punnish them well unless some extraordinary accident should hinder them.

The Letters for Bengall are of great importance wherefore we Earnestly Recommend to you to follow them by the most Trusty and able Persons you can get, and Assure them of an extraordinary Reward if they perform well and do not detain the Letters a [mo]ument more than needs mus[t].

We have no more to add than that we are

S[r].
Your Hum[ble]. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N[o]. 129

To M[r]. Phillip Noden
Att Metchlepatam.

S[rs].

The foregoing is a Coppy of what wrote you the 26 Octob[r]. since which have rec[d]. yours of the 18 [D[o]. & y[e]. 21] We are Glad to hear your Troubles are at an End and hope for the future your parts will be more peaceable and Quiet.

As yet have had but little Rain which makes us Repeat our former desire that you would Supply us with all the Grain that possible as soon as the Monsoon is over. We have not further but are.

S[rs].
Your Hum[ble]. Servants.

Fort S[t]. George
Novem[r]. 8 : 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

P.S.
do not detain the Peons a moment but forward them to Vizagap[m]. with the utmost expedition.

N°. 130

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs
of the R^t^. Honble. United English East India Company
and Govern^r^. of Fort William &c^a^. Councill.

Honble. S^r^. &c.

Thinking it adviseable the News of the ffrench Ships ought to be sent by two Conveyances we dispatch this pattamarr on Our own private Acco^t^.

Letters from Anjengo the 14 Octob^r^. and from Callicut the 8 : Ditto advise that the Shaalem left Calicut the 2 October and the ffrench Arrived the 6 and Confirm the bad news of the Dutchess which is all materiall in them.

We suppose the Darby with you by this time and deserve you'll send us word if her Broad Cloth is Sold, and what Quantity more you can Vend before next Ships Arrive that we may know what to do in case our Merchants should not take off what we have Briskly ; for our Agreement is to deliver it them as they bring in their Goods.

Our Tappys will bring the Lett^rs^. next time we write to Vizagapatam and we hope yours will meet us there, we have Subscribed among ourselves and the free Merchants to bear half the Expence and do not Doubt but if you do your part the Letters will come safe and Secure in 25 Dayes, by which means if the French Arrive with you or us we may have advices of them time enough to prevent our Ships falling into their Hands and if we save but One Ship we shall think the Mony well bestowed, besides the advantages we shall Reap by Quick advices, we have no more to add at Present then that we are Ready for the Avarilla and are.

Honble. S^rs^. &c^a^.
Your Affectionate ffriends & very
Humb^ble^. Servants.

Fort S^t^. George
Novem^r^. 16th. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 131

To Simon Cows Esqr.
Chief &c^a^. Councill Att Anjengo.

S^rs^.

Yours dated the 24th. of Octob^r^. came to our the 20 instant for which we heartily thank you, and since the ffrench still Continues in your Parts we earnestly entreat that you will keep us Constantly informed of all their proceedings that come to your knowledge whereby we may be able to take such measures as will secure our Honble Masters Estates and our Own from falling into their Hands and we are very sure no body will grudge the Charge.

Our last was Dated the 20 Ultimo by our Own Peons since when nothing materiall has happen'd here, we wish you health Prosperity, and are.

Srs.
Your Humble. Servants.

Fort St. George
Novemr. the 22d. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

No. 132.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.

Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Councill.

We have now before us Three Letters of yors. dated the 13th. 18th. and 21st. instant to all which we shall answere in large.

That of the 13 had not layn so long unanswered but that we expected the power we had given you to Conclude a Treaty upon such terms, as we thought both partys had agreed to would have produced us a Peace before now, instead of abundance of Trifling Letters too and fro and Contained little or nothing to the purpose, and some nonsence if you take the Trouble to inspect them, which we beleive to be the fault of the Translater particularly that of Anno Mojee Punctuloo to Serrapa Novr. 20th.

The Contents of all the three Letters have been Carefully Considered, as also the severall Papers Inclosed, that have passed between you and the Enemys Camp, and we rightly understand them they make the state of the Case to be thus.

Your faithless Enemys taking Courage from the Willingness they have observed in us to part with mony in Order to a peace have not only extracted what they promised but Augmented their Demands, without so much as Offering any manner of Security for performance of Articles on their side, what than is to be expected from such Wretches who by their perfidiousness on this Occasion gives us so frightfull an Idea of what we are to expect from them after we have paid the Mony, if we are mistaking in Collecting the Substance of their meaning the fault is not ours it would have been much better and Easier for us to understand if you that are upon the Spot and know all the Hints of their ill Translated Lettrs. which are unintelligable to us would have been so kind as to Collect and Ingraft the Substance of their Letters into the body of yours, for how is it possible that we who are wholly unacquainted with their bounds, should know the Value of the Adjacent Villages, and if we know them never so well which way can we know the Value of Six Pieces of Ground which they Offer in Exchange without knowing either the dimentions or the goodness of the Soil, and in Vincitachelums Lettr. to Serrapa of the 20 we observe you demand Monaputta instead of Padre Copang the Rent of which saith the said Lettr. was Collected this Year 600 Chuckrums which is the Value of Three Towns now how can we Reconcile this with what wrote in the same Vincatachelums Lettr. to Serrapa Dated the 19 Vizt.

That they will give another Town instead of Padra Copang because in it they Collect a Yearly Juncan of Three Thousand Chuckrums these are in consistances which are not Capable of Reconciling at this Distance and can only be set in a true light by you that are upon the Place, much less are we able to give any Possitive and definitive Orders by any State of the case drawn from these Letters, wherefore we find our selves obliged to have Recourse to the Second Paragraph of Yours of the 21st. thô we cannot allow that we have whole state of the case laid before us either in that Letter or the others, or in all together, however we will make the best use of what you tell us that we can, and if we are wrong for want of better Information you must set us to Rights hereafter.

You say that the Enemy now insists upon Fifty Thousand Rupees which at Three and Thirty Amount to something more than Fifteen Thousand Pagodas and seems to us to be no more than what permitted you to give for the Equivolent Offered by them and good Security for performance on their part first Obtained, provided they would intirely Relinquish the Renters debt; but than you go on and say they give you little Reason to beleive that they will part with any Towns or give any grant in Consideration of this Summ and if so we joyn with you in your opinion that Complying with their extravigant demands, will intale the worst of Consequences to our Honble. Masters Affairs, wherefore you do very to insist on the former Articles and we cannot Consent to your Receding from any of the materiall Ones in yor. Memorandum to Serrapa, unless you have a sure Equivolent, we highly approve of your stedfastness to your first principles and do not at all Doubt but that when you let them see you disdain their Threats as well as their Perfidious Principles and Convince them that we will suffer any extreamityes Rather then submit to their unreasonable demands they will find it their Intrest to comply, our greatest fear is that they are too Treachrous to be trusted and you know very well how much they have it in their power to molest us in our Affairs whenever they can find the least pretence to Renew the Quarrell.

We must therefore Strenuously Recommend to you to be very Circumspect and wary in penning & concluding the Treaty whenever they are in Humour for Peace, and since they have so basely Receded from there own Offers, it will be convenient to make them no more on our side till you have their last Result in writing signed and Wittnessed what it is they will give for somuch that they expect from us this way of Treating by Letters is Rediculous and does not look as they had a true intent to make an End but rather to feel our Pulse and take their measures accordingly, which we think appears pretty plain by what has already past, and therefore thô we are more desirous than ever to have a peace on the terms formerly propossed, or any other that you and your Councill should find to be Equivolent, yet we think it advisable to give you the following directions.

That you and all your People do show all manner of Readiness and Willingness to Continue the Warr and that you suffer none of the Enemy to Come near yor. bounds after you have offered them peace once more, & upon their Refusall forbid them to come near your Quarters, we would Rather they should break off with you, than you with them and that they should Attack you first, but we would by no means suffer them to Insult you in your bounds, it is a pleasure to us to think that if they do break with you after we have agreed in a manner to their own terms we shall have the Right on our side, and you have such a body of Men we are sure to Fight our Cause as has not often been seen in these parts, and about Double to what there were formerly in the Dispute with Sulim Cawn we do not doubt but you will make the best use of them for the Hon^r^. of our nation, for the Interest of our Masters and for your own Credit.

All we shall now add is by way of Recapitulation lett us have Peace upon the same terms we formerly wrote you or as good, other wise let us defend our Masters Estate and our own lives as becomes true born Brittains and we heartily wish and pray for your Success, you will do well to Communicate this to your Councill to whom we shall write very Speedily and are.

Fort S^t^. George
Novem^r^. 24th. 1711.

S^rs^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

No. 133

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David &ca. Councill.

Srs.

Yours of the 23 being Communicated to us by the Governr. in which you have fully stated what it is the Enemy demaind of us, and what they offer us in Return.

We were so full in our last Generall Lettr. dated the 24th. Instant that we need say the less in this, but there are some particulars which seem to require an immediate Answer.

We are told here by those that have been at ffort St. David that the Mole as you term it of Trevendeporam was built or made at our own expence to convey the Water to our bounds and demollished by them since your Troubles. Now if we have all along had the use of this water for our bound[s] what is it that they give us in this Article more than we Enjoyed before Nay they give us less, for we must Rebuild wt. they have thrown Down, and when this Mole and Ditch is Ours and Rebuild shall we ever be able to protect it than we were now; This Hint we only Offer that you may be wary to make all as Secure as you can.

As to the Six half Villages and the Ground appertaining which will extent our bounds half a Mile in length, and Eleven in Circumference, you best know the Value of them, and we Rest Assured, that you will not be impossed upon in so materiall an Article, if they permit us to enjoy them Quietly, we do not Doubt but our masters may Receive a Considerable benefit by them, especially if we could be so happy to procure some Sorts of Inhabitants to dwell in our bounds, that would upon Occasion take up Arms in their Own Defence, we can not Doubt but that Serrapa and Your Merchants are well satisfied in Serrop Sing's Title to what he gives us, or else we shall be sure to have the Duan upon our back as soon as the Peace is made.

In Consideration of Padry Capang Trivendepatam and Corraiva Nuttum you say they will give us a Town called Monaputta lying close to the Sea Side which every body tells you is of more Value than the other three, which gives us just Reason to fear, that there is no great Dependance to be made upon the information of those that are about you, because we suppose they are the same People that advised you the Three Villages are were worth Five Thousand Chuckrums ℔ Annum as you have formerly wrote us and now tell you that Monaputta is of more Value than all the Three thô Vincatachelum writes Serrapa in his Lettr. of the 20th. the Rent of which collected last year Amounted to Six Hundred Chuckrums this Contradiction properly may happen by an Errour of the Translater we hope you will take care to be thoroughly informed, in a matter of this Consequence our Dependence being wholly upon you thô all our Reputations are Concernd.

The Enemys entire Assignation of the Renters Debt to us will be every usefull Article, if you have any hopes of Recovering all our part of it, we know very little of that matter or how in Reality it stands, all the Letters we can find from your Place relating thereto, being emperfect and seem Rather intended to puzzell the case than to give this board any true light into the matter wherefore we desire you to send us a full Accot. what is Really owing by the Renters & what Grounds you have to beleive that it is Recoverable.

If in your treaty any mention is made of their title of our bounds, it must be done very tenderly & something like the following manner.

That whereas our bounds were granted by Ram Raja and Confirmed by the great Cawn Bahawdar &ca. neither they nor any Persons whatsoever can pretend any power to molest us in the Quiet and Peaceable enjoyment of them.

It will behove you to take care that the Horses and Vests are of the Value proposed, and for the Article of the Juncanners, we do not think it so materiall that you need to Retard the Treaty by insisting too strictly thereon.

And now we come to the Dreadfull Article of all Fifty Thousand Rupees in Pagodas at Three Hundred and ffifty Rupees ℔ One Hundred Pagodas, and here we shall only Repeat wt. we sayed in our last, do what you can get an Abatement thô never so little, and make a speedy End of this Troublesome Affair, if you find there s any likelyhood we may depend upon their performance of Articles, and since there

is now so great a likelyhood of an Accommodation we cannot see why your Merchants should Deferr bringing in some of that large Quantity of Cloth they have Ready, We expect the Avarrilla every day and shall not keep her long here having great reason to Apprehend the Two French Ships now on the Mallabarr Coast, intend this way as soon as the Season permitts, we have left to our President to send advices where they are necessary for the Preservation of our Honble. Masters estate & you are to follow all orders you Receive for him for that Purpose.

You will do well to lay this Letter before your Councill as if wrote to them we wish you Success and are.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
NOVEM^R^. 27 : 1711

S^rs^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

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N°. 134

TO THE HON^BLE^. WILLIAM AISLABIE ESQ^R^.
GENERALL OF THE COAST OF INDIA &C^A^. COUNCIL AT BOMBAY.

HON^LE^. S^R^. &C^A^.

We wrote you the 26 of Septem^r^. by the Ships William and S^t^. Cruz, a Copy of which come inclosed, and gave them Ships positive orders to touch at Gally and Anjengo being than under some apprehensions of what has come since to pass Viz^t^. the Arrivall of the Two French Ships upon your Coast.

We are heartily Sorry for the loss of the Dutchess and what was aboard her, and heartily wish it may be all the Damage we shall Receive this season, we are in great pain for your Europe Ships that might be very well expected every day, when we had our last advices from Callicut dated the [...] Novem^r^., God send our Honble. Masters and our effects may escape falling into their Hands, we have dispatched Pattamarrs to Bengall with the needfull advices of w^t^. has happened and do not Doubt but they will take the most prudent measures with their Shipping to avoid the Enemy.

By what Letters we have from Callicut and Anjengo we have Reason to believe the Two ffrench Ships having already increased their Stock beyond what they can lay out at Moco, will come upon this Coast as soon as the Season permitts, and we likewise find they are expected at Ponticherry so that we are like to run y^e^. Gantlent with all our Shipping abroad some of which must infallibly fall into their Hands.

We have nothing new since our last except the Dispatch of the Hallifax and Success Gally for Europe the 18 Octo^r^. our troubles at ffort S^t^. David are not yet ended, thô we have some hopes of a Speedy accommodation, we wish your Hon . &c^a^. health and Success in all your undertakings, and are.

Honble. S^r^. &c^a^.
Your most Humble Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
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WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 135.

To the Honble. William Proby Esqr.
Chief &ca. Council at Surrat.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

Inclosed a Copy of what wrote you [on] the 27 Septemr. by the Ships William and Sa'ta Cruize since when nothing of moment has happen'd among us, only that on the 17 October we dispatched the Ships Hallifax & Success Gally full Laden for Europe.

We have Received the Malancholy news from Callicut of the Two French Ships bound to Moco, being arrived to Cruize on your Coast, also that they have taken the Dutchess with what was aboard her, we are in no small pain for your Ships expected from Europe which were not arrived as we can hear the 1st. Novemr. these two Ships having increased their Stock so Considerably by the Prizes they have taking, cannot pretend to lay their Mony out at Moco, so that we may expect them upon this Coast as soon as the Season Serves unless they can find a mathod to do their business at Surrat, we heartily wish our Masters Shipping and ours may escape them, and that we may have a Speedy Peace this comes by a Pattamarr of yours and We are,

Honble. Sr. &ca.
Your most humble. Servants,

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

No. 136.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Governr. of Fort St. David.

Sr.

Yours of the 29th. came to our Hands Yesterday which takes no notice of your having Received ours either of the 24th. or 27th.

Since all the steps we have made towards an Accommodation of your Troubles have only Served to make them mistaken wretches; our Enemys beleive we would buy a Peace at any Rate but since they insulted us in our bounds at a time when we had reason to expect they would have been Satisfied with our agreeing in a manner to their own proposalls, we cannot but unanimously applaud your bold attack made upon their Camp in the Night, and heartilly congratulate your good Success of which we hope a more particular account According to your Promise.

Since the hopes of Peace are Vanished for the Present we desire you will engage as many of your Neighbours as you can in your Interest, and that you will let us know Your Circumstances frequently that we may do our best to Supply you.

The Honble. Example you shewed those under your Command, in being abroad during the Action to secure the Partys Return, and give the necessary Directions deserves our particular thanks, and we hope had that effect upon yor. Councill as to Carry them along with you Our Governr. tells us he has lately heard our Honble. Masters say, that they expect their Covenant Servants as well as the Millitary, should

upon Occasion draw their Swords in Defence of their Estates. We do not know but that it may be so with you but observe we have not yet heard any thing tending that way, We wish you further Success and shall contribute all in our power to shew, we are.

S^r^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants

Fort S^t^. George
Decem^r^. 3^d^. 1711.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
William Jennings.
Bernard Benyon.
William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

N°. 137.

To Francis Hastings Esqr.
Chief &c^a^. Councill at Vizagap^m^.

S^rs^.

We shall now Answer to yours of the 9th 12 : & 24th. Ultimo the first of the 9th. was delivered us by our Own Peons in Fifteen Dayes and we have Rewarded their Dilligence and encourage others to do the like; we observe that the Rainy Weather has been a hinderance to your Goods coming in and shall take care to enable you to make your next Investment in ffebruary according to your desire.

We note what you say Concerning Tappy Peons and this Extraordinary Charges, and intend to lay ours from this Place to Metchlapatam forthwith, wherefore we desire you upon Receipt hereof immediately to place such Persons in whom you can confide at the Severall Stages between your place and Metchlapatam, if you can speare some out of your Usuall Number of Peons, it would help to moderate the expence, we desire you will keep Account of the Extraordinary expence apart to be transmitted us hither, w^th^.out entring it in the Companys Books which we Recommend ℘ticularly to M^r^. Hastings and shall Reimburse him Annually here.

If the Gentlemen in Bengall should not Place their Tappys from Ballasore to your place accordingly to our proposall we desire whenever any of their Pattamars arrive with you their Pacquets may be forwarded by our Tappys, and the Pattamars immediately returned and when we know what measures the Gentlemen in the Bay intend to take about this Affair we shall be able to give further Directions.

We have Rec^d^. the Copy of yours dated the [. . .] the Bengall Pattamars are not yet Arrived, the contents of the said Lett^r^. will be answered with that of the 24th. as follows.

By M^r^. Hastings Paddy Boat that Arrived here the first Instant we have Received Thirty Nine Bales of Cloth according to the Invoice Inclosed and are Glad to find that we are like to have a further Supply as soon as the Country People will venture their Boats.

We have v[i]ewed the Dasherone Merchants Musters of Cloth and Compared them with ours, and have since sent them to be whitened that we may still make a better judgement of their Valuation.

The Ordinary Long Cloth and Sallampores are very good of the kind, and we would be glad to have them at or about the Prizes you mention thô we do not Doubt but you will be able to procure some abatement and you must be very Strict in keeping the Merch^ts^. up to their Musters, not taking in any turned out Cloth, but at under Numbers with an abatement proportionable to what they appear to be worse than the musters given.

We shall likewise approve of your agreeing for an Investment for next Year to the amount of Thirty Thousand Pagodas in long Cloth Sallampores and Beteelas of which we shall write you more at large in very few Dayes, when we have a little better considered the matter.

As for your Muster of Fine Long Cloth of Ninty Pagodas is not come any thing near our Muster here of 75 Pagodas the fine Sallampores of Thirty Pagodas is much about the Goodness of our Muster of the same Value and we cannot but fancy That there is some mistake in the Valuation of the Long Cloth since the Sallampores at Thirty is so much finer and better and by the Rule of Proportion Long Cloth of the same finess with the Sallampores ought to be worth about Seventy pray let your next set this matter to Rights.

We cannot yet tell weither we shall have occasion for so large an Investment as you propose however you shall be sure to know our finall resolutions timely enough that you may go early to Work and you shall be supplyed wth. Mony accordingly.

We would have you send us Musters of the Brampore Chints by the very first Sea Conveyance with the lowest Prizes and when we have Viewed them you shall have Our speedy Answer to that matter we are very glad to hear the Country Trade goes on without Trouble and wish we could say as much of the Countrys hereabouts, few Days ago we had great hopes of a Peace at ffort St David but our faithless Enemys having broke the Truce of attacking us during the time of the Treaty, M^r^. Raworth ordred a party of Men to Surprize their Camp in the Night, which was performed with good Success the 29th. Ultimo at least Two Hundred of their Men being Killed out Right, and abundance of Horses, but we have not yet the full Particulars of the Action.

We approve of your intention to send us the Europe Serjeant and some of your black Soldiers & shall send you an Ensign to Succeed Highlord by the first good sea Conveyance.

Let it be a Constant Rule for the future during the Warr with ffrench that you send all the Companys goods under Jentue Marks and that you put Jentue Notes in the Bales and let them be consign'd according to the Jentue manner and custome by Cunsam Lingana to Sunca Ramma.

Let there be no Letter on board in any Language that can any way be[tray] the concern except what you send in one Pacquet with wch. we would have you make fast a sufficient [P^s^.] of Lead and intrust it One of your most faithfull Peons with orders for him to Sink it in the Sea whenever he meets with any Ship or Vessell, that pretends to examine him and let not the people on Board the Vessell know otherwise than that the goods actually belong to the Black Merchants here.

You must not fail to Dispatch away Copys of what Papers you send by every Sea Conveyance with all imaginable expedition by land and this is the Success method we can think of to secure our Honble. Masters Estate from the ffrench Ships, daily expected upon this Coast we have no more to add at Present, than our good wishes for your prosperity and are.

FORT S^T^. GEORGE
DECEM^R^. 4TH. 1711.

S^RS^.
Your affectionate ffriend to serve you.

EDWARD HARRISON.
THOMAS FREDERICK.
HENRY DAVENPORT.
WILLIAM MARTIN.
EDWARD BULKLEY.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
BERNARD BENYON.
WILLIAM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

N°. 138.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.

Deputy Govern^{r}. of Fort S^{t}. David &c^{a}. Councill.

S^{rs}.

Our last wrote you was the Sixth Ultimo Thô since that time we have write severall Lett^{rs}. to M^{r}. Raworth which he was desired to Communicate to the board The Subject of it being than the Treaty in hand and he has acknowledged the Receipt of them.

We have now before us to answer yours of the 8. 11. & 24 Ult^{o}. and of the 5 Instant most particularly in the Three former have been Answered in our Letters to M^{r}. Raworth and now we shall Reply to the Remainder.

Your Merchants Gomasters are Arrived here but instead of the full power mentioned in yo^{rs}. of the 8 They brought no power at all nor Mony Enough to bear their Charges and it is but This very Day They came to us with Lett^{rs}. from their Principles to demand a quantity of Cloth, all their Request, Contained in yours shall be granted them or any other favour in our power provided we find them able and honest in Complying with their Agreement.

We have rec^{d}. The Report of the Comittee appointed to Compare the Paragraphs abstracted out of your Generall Lett^{rs}. and ours that they agree with each other, but there are Severall Paragraphs Omitted to be taken notice of by you, which we fear upon Examination by our Masters will Condemn abundance of your proceedings thrô the whole Course of your present Warr The foundation of which appears to us to have been laid by the Avarice and Treachery of M^{r}. Roberts and it has since happen'd might very easily have been prevented by a very little foresight and good management in those that Succeeded him.

We who were not Concerned cannot altogether excuse the Conduct of this Board who Certainly ought long ere now to have disapproved of your proceedings, wherefore it lyes upon them to make their Apoligy to our Honble. Masters, and upon you that are Concern'd to answere for your irruptions into the Enemys Country with Fire and Sword destroying all that come in your way before a formall Warr was declared or any orders given you from hence for that purpose all y^{t}. is now left us to do is to make the best we can of a bad Market wherefore we shall add no more on this Subject but impartially lay it before Those who are our Rightfull judges and to whose Determination we must all submit.

The Copys of you Cash Paymasters and Stewards Acco^{ts}. we have Perused the Latter of which convinces us of the Olloonary and good management of yor. Present Deputy Govern^{r}. and the Former plainly demonstrate, that if we cannot somehow or other put an End to your Present Troubles all the Revenues of this Coast will not be sufficient to defray the Charges of the Warr and we further Remark that One Year more of this Extravigant Expence will amo^{t}. to a greater Sume than in all probability our Masters can ever be Reimburst by your Settlement.

The remainder of your Lett^{r}. Dated the 11th. Relates to the Treaty you than had in hand and has already been Replyed to in ours directed to the Deputy Govern^{r}. Singly as also the greatest part of yours, Dated the 24th. we shall only add that we ordered those faithless Villains, too much but we were unwilling to have had a peace knowing it to be the true Interest of our employees but since They have showed us the Treachary of their Principles in falling off so Scandalously from their own Proposalls and in Breaking the truce by Assaulting our People unawares we highly approve of the well Concerted Attack made upon the Enemys Camp the 28th. Ult^{o}.

Your Bill drawn upon us for Four Thousand Pagodas Payable to Racknague and Vingunague it come to Hand and shall be paid, thô we cannot but observe the Persons that offer the bill were in your Letter of the 8 Ult^{o}. named Vingatee Chittee and Peddy Tombe Chitte, and ought to have been called by the same names in your bill of Exchange.

And now we come to answer your last of the 5 instant

As we said before your Attacking the Enemies Camp, as also of the braverry shown by our Officers and Soldiers on that occasion thô by severall particular Acco^ts. came to our Hands we find the greatest damage has happend upon the Horses The Num^r. of Men slain falling farr short of Capt. Roaches Narrative and what you seem to beleive we find two considerable Officers are wounded but none killed out Right, there settling to the N^o. W^t. of you seems to us a good oppertunity for getting in goods and Provisions at the s^d. end of your Bounds which must be at least 6 or 7 Miles Distant from their Camp according to your Draft, we have advice from the ffrench they intend to attack Tripopilore but beleive it only a Gas coignade to hinder you from attacking them.

If gives us a great Deal of Concern that yor. People should be so senceless as to Quarrell amongst themselves, when the enemy is so near, we observe you have Condemned George Brand for Murder before his Tryall, all the Evidence you offer us is Middleton who makes Oath only to a reincunter in these words, that they made severall Passes at one another, however we direct that the said Brand be kept Prisoner as usuall in such cases till you have an Oppertunity to send both him and the Witnesses hither, and we approve of your making M^r. Paddle Gentelman of Arms.

It appears to us by your Consultation that Middleton was Corporall of the Guard, if so his lending his Sword when he Confesses the Cook told him his intent his going along with him and his Standing by to see them under One Another according to his own Confession makes him a Vile good for nothing Wretch, very unfit for his Post, and if Brand had been Killed instead of Hughs, he had been a party to the Murder he now deserves to be severely Punished.

The Acco^t. of Callicoes mentioned to be inclosed is Omitted, thô the most necessary paper in the Pacquet and we wished you had added whether you have any in your Godowns besides we have washed near Ten Thousand Pieces here since the Hallifax was Dispatched and indeed did expect that what you had come in so long agoe, would have been washed before now it is inexcuseable in your Warehouse-keeper to Complain for want of proper Rice, at this time of Day w^n. the Work must stand still for want of it, we should think he has been long enough in that employ to know what materialls are necessary to be provided when an Investment is in Hand, but indeed we ought not to wonder so much of your [Putting] Rice to Conjee the Cloth when it is not in [. . .] Months agoe That you forgot you had none [*a few words lost*] it was almost too late to Supply you [*a few words lost*] Starving our selves, and we earnestly Recommend to the Deputy Govern^r. to Rub up the memorys of all such forgetfull Soils for the future.

Our Govern^r. has wrote to Ponticherry, Earnestly pressing them to Supply you and as soon as we can get a Vessell we will send you some from hence and as much other Grain as we can spare without undoing our selves, in order to which we desire to know what Quantity will make you Easy we would not have you in the mean time neglect any wayes or means to get in what Possible you can from other Parties for there is a kind of a Famine at Metchlapatam Paddy is now here at 17 ^mer. and not any likelyhood of being cheaper this Season We are.

Fort S^t. George
Decem^r. the 10: 1711.

S^r.
Your Hum^ble. Servants

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Edward Bulkley.
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Bernard Benyon.
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Richard Hunt.

S^R^.

In Answer to your Paragraph relating to your Merchants bringing in their Cloth at Porto Novo seing the Wind have been here for 4 Days Successively at East and West and some time to the Southward we cannot Doubt but before this has Encouraged to send your small Vessells to that Port espeatially if your Merchants are so Ready as they pretend your Mussulors in the mean time must not lye idle for we expect the Avarilla every Day, and shall send her to you to fill up as soon as ever we find by your advices (in which we desire you will not be sparing) that you are in a Capacity to do it for the Dispatching of that Ship before the ffrench Ships Come upon the Coast whom we have good ground to expect in January is absolutely necessary for her safety and will be a very acceptable peice of Service we should be very Sorry if necessity Obliges you to Wash and Pack the Goods at Porto Novo and had much rather they should be brought you in Brow than Run such a Risque as you Describe in your Letter Idem.

N°. 139.

To Francis Hastings Esq^R^.
Chief &c^A^. Councill att Vizagap^M^.

S^RS^.

Herewith we send you a Copy of what wrote you the 4 Instant by two of your Peons, this comes by the Remaining two Whom we have dispatched in Company of our Tappy Peons that are going to Place themselves upon the Road between this Place and Metchlepatam.

Inclosed is a Copy of a Paragraph [. . .] M^r^. Noden Concerning the [a . . .] Tappy [. . .] And we desire you will Correspond with him from time to time as there may be Occasion for the more speedy forwarding Our Letters.

We are now come to Resolution & Accordingly direct you to make preparations for an Investment to the Amount of Fifty Thousand Pag^as^. in Longcloth Sallampores Stript Bettelas and Sail Cloth that is to say Stript Bettelas of Variable Stripes Peices One Thousand Five Hundred the Stripes to be made very perfect and ffine Cloth D°. of 12 Yards One Thousand Peices D°. ffine One Thousand Peices Sail Cloth Two Thousand Peices the Rest of the Mony in Long Cloth and Sallampores of the same Goodness with the Masters you sent us or thereabouts, you cannot but know how acceptable a Peice of Service it will be to the Company to abate upon the Usuall Prizes, and to be extraordinary carefull to sort up to the Musters as soon as the Season will permit we shall send you Mony to Carry on your Affair, by first good Conveyance, however would have you neglect no opportunity to draw upon us.

We recommend it to you forthwith to make a Tryall if your Weavours can Manufacture the Metchlepatam Chay Goods and at what rates, as Allajarrs, Colloway Poes, Saserguntes, Sasergunts, Romalls, Goacon herallas, Sadaryncheres, Bengall Romalls, we would have you make Musters of each sort if practicable of the Usuall length and Breadth of Metchlepatam, and send them up hither with the prices wrote upon them and as to Brampore servants we referr you to what wrote in our [*a few words lost*].

We desire likewise that you would make a triall of Neckcloths Ordinary a Yard and Half Long full One Half Ell broad and 16 Neckcloths in a Peice with Cordage Stripes at each And According to Custome, half a Dozen Peices for Musters will be sufficient We shall expect your Tappys will be Ready to Receive our next Lett^r^. at Metchlepatam, no Vessell yet appears in Sight from your Port which is all at Present, from.

S^R^.
Your Hum^ble^. Servants.

Edward Harrison.
Thomas Frederick.
Henry Davenport.
William Martin.
Edward Bulkley.
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William Warre.
Richard Hunt.

No. 140.

To Mr. Phillip Noden
Att Metchlepatam.

Sr.

Yours dated the 25 Novber. Instant came to Hand the 10 Instant the Rascall of a Pecn whom you sent to Hasten the Bengall Pattamarrs having detained them idle 4 Days, in one place by the Way for which we order him to be dismist and never more to be employed in the Companys Service.

We have hitherto no News of Simon Correa from Bengall or any other Parts.

We are very sorry to hear there is like to be such a Scarcity of Grain in your place, our Governour has Wrote to the severall Persons mentioned in your Letter and to some others Recommended to him by Kitte Narrain to encourage them to order their Vessells to this Port & you may Assure ym. of very good Treatment in all Respects that no Englishman shall be sett Over them but that they shall have liberty to set as good terms as they can get.

You have liberty to pay the Ground Rent according to Custome we shall be glad to know what will be the Event of the Attempt made to settle upon Diu Island, Paddy is now here at 17 & 18 Mercall for a Pagoda.

This Letter comes by Tappy Peons whom we have sent to lodge themselves between this Place and yours, and we have inclosed you a list of the severall stages with the Names of the Peons appointed to lodge at each stage, we desire you will be aiding and assisting to them that are [. . .] to you upon all occasion, when our Letters Arrive At your Place either from hence or from Vizagapatam we would have them forwarded by your Peons to the next stage for which Reason we appoint no Tappys of ours to lodge at Metchlepatam.

We recommend to you to take care that the Letters do not lye still, and that those Tappy Peons that are nearest to you do their Duly [. . .] come that they are faulty, pray give us immediate Notice that we may Shift them we have no more to add than that we are.

Sr.
Your Humble. Servant.

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No. 141.

To the Honble. John Russell Esqr.
President of Bengall for Affairs of
the Rt. Honble. United English Et. India Company
and Governr. of Fort William &ca. Councill.

Honble. Sr. &ca.

We dispatched Pattamarrs to your Honr. the 8th. & 16th. Ultimo, Coppys of which Letters are here inclosed.

Yours dated the 1 October came to Hand the 10 Instant by two [sorry ships] half Starved fellows unable to Travell and altogether [unsettled] in the Roads between Ballasore and [this] Place, which is the reason they have been just [...] long against [...] the Way as usuall, we [*a few words lost*] Best Peons for these expeditions that we have but now we have sent away our Tappys as farr as Vizagapatam; where we hope yours will meet us, If you write to Mr. Hastings he will easily provide you with Peons, and procure them a safe Passage through the Rajas Countrys from Vizagapatam to Ganjam which is half way to Ballasore, and we hope Mr. Dean will find means to open and Secure Passage from Ballasore to Ganjam wch. we do not Doubt may be

effected at a small expence and the mony would be well bestowed but if he should find it impracticable we desire he may be furnished with a sufficient number of strong and able Peons well skilled in the Passages thrô the Country, who must Carry your Letters to Ganjam, and M^{r}. Hastings as soon as you order him will place a proper Person at Ganjam to forward the said Letters by our Tappys this is so materiall a point for the Security of our Honble. Masters Estate and our Own and will be of so much advantage to the Trade in Generall, between your Port and ours and indeed for all Trades that we are engaged that we cannot Doubt for your Compliance.

We are extreamly surprized that we have no news of the Avarilla whom we expected the beginning of this Month, heing in Readiness to dispatch her in time to reach the Dutch Fleet unless her late arrivall here should Disappoint us.

We have sent you what broad Cloth we could spare proper for the Present by the Mermaid we have little or no Cordage, what small Anchors [. . . unns] we can spare shall be sent you as soon as the season serves by first Conveyance tho' we beleive you will have a supply by the Darby.

We do not much wonder at Zoody Cawns being displaced, which has been talked of some time here, we are sencible he was our very good Friend and are very sorry for what has happen'd but Zulphakur Cawn and his ffather Assid Cawn, have been our Old Professed ffriends and since it is pretty plain that Zoody Cawn is outed by that Intrest which at Present Governs the whole empire, it behoves us to make our sole addresses that way, and we heartily wish you may find means to introduce the Present by Zulphakur Cawn or there will be little hopes of Success.

In the Month of September We Received a Lett^{r}. from the Duan inclosing an Order from Zulphakur Cawn that the Present should be sent directly to him from hence, to which we Returned him a suitable answer that it was already out of our Power having been sent to Metchlepatam, to be forwarded to the King when at Golconda thô it happen'd to Arrive too late and was since sent to Bengall to be forwarded from thence by the most sure and speediest Conveyance.

It may be of use to inform you that upon perusall of the Letters that passed between Govern^{r}. Pitt and the Great Men of the Mogulls Court when at Golconda we find that this Present was in a manner bespoke and directed by Zulphakur Cawn, with Assurences, that if it was to his liking, he would procure us a Phirmaund, and undoubtedly he cannot do it we must Dispair of ever thinking One, wherefore we hope you wil manage [*a few words lost*] Application to him who has a very good C[h]aractor for his Generosity and love to strangers and when he was formerly in these parts employed in the Conquest of the Cornatta Country we were particularly Obliged to him for many Signall ffavours Conferred us, but most of all for the Confirmation of our Grants both here and at ffort St. David.

We cannot but be sorry that severall particulars mentiond in Zulphakur Cawns list to be proper for the present are thrown out and sent Back hither by the better judgement as we are told by Coja Surhaud, and we wish he may not find himself mistaken.

Inclosed come the Copys of what news we have received concerned the ffrench Ships, since our last.

We have all the Reason in the World to expect them and the Prizes on this Coast as soon as the season will permit, pray God keep our Masters and our effects out of their wicked Hands. We are.

FORT S^{r}. GEORGE
DECEM^{R}. THE 16 : 1711.

S^{r}.
Your Hum^{ble}. Servants

EDWARD HARRISON.
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WILLAIM WARRE.
RICHARD HUNT.

No. 142.

To Robert Raworth Esqr.
Deputy Govern^r^. of Fort S^t^. David &c^a^. Councill.

S^rs^.

We wrote you largely the Tenth Instant to which have hitherto received no Answer.

The Govern^r^. tells us that he wrote you the Averilla was arrived the same Evening we have now taken all out of her, that is for this Place, her Redwood is put a board, and the Ship is now Shifting, and we do not doubt of sending her to you by the last of this Month.

We cannot justly tell how many bales we shall have to put a board her, but hope you will be able upon Occasion to Stretch as farr as ffour Hundred, which is the very extent of w^t^. we shall want, and if a little of it be brown we must load it Rather than hinder the Dispatch of the Ship, however we Earnestly recommend to you to Wash and Cure all you can.

We wish you had let us known if you want any thing from hence by the Avarilla, such an Oppertunity as this ought not to be lost but we fear y^e^. Ship will now be dispatch'd hence before we can hear from you, unless you a Quicker than usuall We have no more to add at Present than that we wish you success, and that we are.

Fort S^t^. George
Decem^r^. the 22 : 1711.

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